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25	I, Hunter W. Sims III, declare as follows:				
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personal knowledge of the contents of this declaration, except where indicated otherwise, and I could and would testify competently thereto if called upon to do so.

- 2. Attached as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the transcript of Plaintiff Patrick Gallagher's deposition taken on July 31, 2025.
  - 3. Attached as Exhibit B is a true and correct of copy of Exhibit 1 of Plaintiff's deposition.
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- 20. Attached as Exhibit S is a true and correct copy of the denial of Plaintiff's Appeal of Variance Decision.

21. Attached as Exhibit T is a true and correct copy of the Criminal Complaint in the matter of *USA v. Curran et. al.*, Case No. 3:21-mj-713315-MAG.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 21st day of November 2025, at San Francisco, California.

<u>/s/ Hunter W. Sims III</u> HUNTER W. SIMS III Case 3:23-cv-03579-SI Document 114-1 Filed 11/25/25 Page 4 of 367

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on Thursday, July 31, 2025, at 1 2 the hour of 11:16 a.m., of said day, at the Office of the San Francisco City Attorney, 1390 Market Street, 3 Seventh Floor, San Francisco, California, before me, 4 5 HEATHER M. LOFHOLM, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, personally appeared 6 7 PATRICK GALLAGHER 8 called as a witness herein, having been first administered 9 an oath in accordance with CCP Section 2025, was examined 10 and testified as follows: 11 THE DEPOSITION REPORTER: My name is Heather 12 Lofholm, and my certification number is 11570. 13 EXAMINATION BY MR. SIMS: 14 15 Could you please state and spell your name. 16 Patrick Gallagher, P-a-t-r-i-c-k, G-a-l-l-a-g-h-e-r. 17 18 Mr. Gallagher, have you ever had your deposition Ο. 19 taken before or testified in court? 20 Α. Yes. 2.1 How many times have you done so? Ο. Just once that I can remember. 22 Α. 23 Okay. Was that a deposition or court testimony? Ο. 24 Α. Both. 25 Q. Okay. When was the last time you testified in a

legal setting such as this?

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- A. I'd say 2018.
- Q. Okay. Since it's been a little while since you've testified, I'm going to go through some rules and suggestions of a deposition, and hopefully, if you and I both follow these rules and suggestions the process will be as smooth as possible.

Number one, you've been brought here today
pursuant to a notice of deposition to testify in a case
that you filed against the City and County of
San Francisco and several other employees of the City and
County of San Francisco in connection with a lawsuit you
filed against those individuals. Do you understand that,
sir?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. You have just taken an oath. It's the same oath that you would take in a court of law in front of a judge and/or a jury, and it compels you to tell the truth here today. Do you have any issue complying with the oath that you've been given?
  - A. No.
- Q. Okay. This is a question-and-answer session, so I'm going to ask you questions about, you know, your background and some of the issues that you're claiming in your lawsuit, and you answer those questions the best you

1 can. There's a couple things that you need to keep in

- 2 | mind when we're doing the questions and answers.
- 3 | Number one, the court reporter is going to write down
- 4 | everything that you and I say, and in order to make her
- 5 | job easier we need to do two things. One, try to speak
- 6 | slowly and clearly, and two, only one of us can be
- 7 | speaking at the same time. It's very difficult for her to
- 8 | write two people speaking at the same time. Okay?
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 Q. This comes up mainly when I'm going to ask you a
- 11 | question and you're going to anticipate what I'm getting
- 12 | at and what I'm going to ask you, and you'll start your
- answer before I've finished your question -- my question,
- 14 excuse me, and that's very difficult for her to --
- 15 A. Okay. I get it.
- 16 Q. So if I ever put out my hand or tell you "Just
- 17 | let me finish, "I'm not trying to be rude when I do that.
- 18 | I'm just trying to make sure that her job is as easy as
- 19 possible and we get a clear record.
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 | 0. All right. The other thing that you need to keep
- 22 | in mind is the court reporter is forbidden from
- 23 | interpreting gestures. That goes for nods of the heads.
- 24 | It also goes for "uh-huh" and "huh-uh." Those actually
- 25 | show up the same on the transcript, so if you shake your

1 head or give me an "uh-huh" or a "huh-uh," I'm likely to

- 2 | repeat what I think you're trying to communicate to me.
- 3 Again, I'm not trying to be rude when I do that. I'm just
- 4 | trying to make sure that our record is clear.
  - A. Okay.

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- Q. All right. I'm going to be asking you a lot of questions about when certain events happen that are relevant to your lawsuit, specific dates and specific conversations related to certain events. I have some documents here that might help us --
  - A. Okay.
- Q. -- track down the dates anyway and maybe some of the topics of conversation, but this is not an instance where you can't give me an estimate. Okay? For example, if you think something happened in a certain month, in a certain year, I'd like you to tell me what it is you remember.

You're also allowed to give an estimate, right, so that might come up in the context of conversations, so if I ask you about a certain conversation that you had with a certain, say, defendant in this case, even though you can't remember exactly what words you said and what the other person said, you might remember the gist of the conversation, so you can do that kind of thing.

What you cannot do or what I'll ask that you

don't do is guess, and the terms "guess" and "estimate" have kind of become synonymous in our nomenclature now, and so I'm going to give you a quick example between a guess and an estimate that I think will help you give your best testimony here today.

So if I were to ask you how long is the table that we're sitting in front of here, I know you have some experience in construction. You probably have a general understanding of distance, and you can say -- even though you didn't exactly measure the table, you could say, "It's, I don't know, 15 feet," or whatever it is. That would be an estimate, right, because you can see something. You have a basic understanding of what I'm asking you about, and you can give your best estimate. Ιf I were to ask you how long is the kitchen table in my house, that would be a complete quess, because, as far as I know, you've never been to my house, and you don't know if I have a kitchen table or not, much less how long it is, so do you understand the difference between a guess and an estimate?

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Q. Okay. Great. The last thing is I'm going to try to be as efficient as I can. Obviously, we've got a big stack of documents that we've got to get through here today, and so what I ask is that, you know, if you want to

1 take a break at any time just say, "I'd like to take a 2 break," and we can accommodate you. If there's a question pending I'd ask that you just answer the question before 3 4 you -- before you give your answer, and then we'll take a 5 Just for your planning purposes, I'm hopeful that we'll be done here before 5:00 p.m., but we'll see how it 6 7 goes. 8 One last thing that I typically do not tell 9 you -- or tell deponents, but since you're here 10 representing yourself today, I'd ask that you answer the specific question that I'm asking. I know there's certain 11 12 things you're going to want to tell me, and believe me, I 13 will do my best to ask questions that will get you to talk 14 about those things, but there are certain questions especially pertaining to the documents that I really am 15 just looking for a yes-or-no answer, and so it will make 16 things a lot more efficient if we can just answer the 17 18 question that is being specifically asked. Do you 19 understand that? 20 Α. Yep. 2.1 Okay. Great. All right. Let's start with some O. 22 background information. What's your date of birth? 23 3-20-64. Α. 24 Q. And what's your current address? 25 Α. 470 Coletas Way.

- Q. What's the town and state?
- 2 A. Byron, California.
- Q. How long have you lived there?
- 4 A. Twenty-three years.
- 5 Q. Does anyone else live there with you?
- 6 A. No, not at the moment.
- 7 Q. Okay. Are you married?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Divorced?
- 10 A. Divorced.
- 11 Q. Have you ever served in the military?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. When were you convicted of a felony?
- 16 A. Back in the '80s.
- 17 Q. Okay. And what did it have to do with?
- 18 A. Running from the police.
- 19 Q. Okay. Since then no felony convictions?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Okay. Have you ever been convicted of a
- 22 | misdemeanor that had to do with telling the truth?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Are you currently employed?
- 25 A. Retired.

- 1 Q. And what did you do before retirement?
- 2 A. Construction.
- 3 Q. And what do you mean by that?
- 4 A. Commercial construction, buildings like this one.
- 5 Q. All right. And were you a general contractor?
- 6 | A. No, I was superintendent.
- 7 Q. Okay. And what does that mean to you?
- 8 A. It means I was in charge of everything and 9 everybody.
- 10 Q. Do you mean like synonymous with, like, a
- 11 | foreman?
- 12 A. I had several foremen that worked under me.
- 13 Q. I see. And was -- did you work for a company?
- 14 A. Berger Brothers is one of them.
- 15 Q. Could you spell that for me.
- 16 A. B-e-r-g-e-r.
- Q. And where -- is it, like "Berger Brothers LLP" or
- 18 "Company" or something like that?
- 19 A. Berger Brothers Construction.
- 20 Q. Okay. And was that your title at Berger Brothers
- 21 | Construction, Superintendent?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And how long did you work at Berger Brothers
- 24 | Construction?
- 25 A. Ten years.

Q. And from when -- start date to end date? Hold on. Let me make it a little easier for you. When did you retire?

- A. I retired in 2010.
- Q. Okay. And would it be fair to say that the end date for working at Berger Brothers would be 2010?
- 7 A. Yeah.

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- Q. Okay. And do you remember how long you worked at Berger Brothers?
- 10 A. About ten years.
- Q. Okay. So from 2000 to 2010, more or less, you worked at Berger Brothers?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. And were you -- did you always have the title of Superintendent while you worked at Berger
- 16 | Brothers Construction?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. Okay. What other titles did you have while you worked at Berger Brothers Construction?
- 20 A. Foreman.
- 21 Q. Any others?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. What did you do for work -- or who did you work for prior to 2000?
- 25 A. Anning & Johnson, A-n-n-i-n-g.

- 1 Q. And Johnson?
- 2 A. And Johnson.
- Q. Common spelling?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. Do you know -- I'm sorry to jump back to
- 6 | Berger Brothers, but do you know where -- well, first of
- 7 | all, is Berger Brothers Construction still in business?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. Well, not in San Francisco.
- 11 Q. Okay. Where -- did they have, like, a
- 12 | headquarters or an address that they operate out of?
- 13 A. Yeah. I think it was 17th and Mission.
- 14 Q. In San Francisco?
- 15 A. In San Francisco, and then the main office is in
- 16 | LA.
- 17 Q. Do you know where in LA?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. Never been there.
- 21 Q. All right. And then Anning & Johnson, what did
- 22 | you do for them?
- 23 A. Foreman.
- Q. And how long did you work for them?
- 25 A. About 13, 14 years.

Q. As a foreman the entire time?

- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Since we're talking about kind of construction-related issues here, do you have any trade
- 5 certificates or licenses in the construction field?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. How many do you have?
- 8 A. I don't know.
- 9 Q. Okay. Do you have an estimate?
- 10 A. Five.
- 11 Q. All right. Could you list them.
- 12 A. Two welding certificates.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. Certified trainer on specialty equipment.
- 15 Q. And I think there's two more.
- 16 A. Yeah, I don't remember.
- 17 | O. Can't remember?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Okay. And the welding certificates, who are
- 20 | those -- you know, is there an organization that you
- 21 | obtained those certificates from?
- 22 A. AWS.
- 23 Q. And what about the specialty equipment training?
- 24 A. I forget who issued that.
- Q. Okay. And just because I'm curious, what type of

1 specialty equipment does your certificate allow you to

- 2 | help train?
- A. Gradalls, scissor lifts, boom lifts.
- Q. Okay. Are the certificates and the licenses that
- 5 | you just mentioned -- are they current?
- 6 A. I doubt it.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. The welding certificates don't expire, but those others I don't know.
- 10 Q. All right. Have you ever been a licensed general contractor?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Have you ever had a license in any type of construction trade, other than what you've just mentioned?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Okay. I thought I saw somewhere that you were a licensed carpenter. Is that not true?
- 18 A. You don't really get a license.
- 19 Q. That's why I was asking.
- 20 A. I'm a union carpenter.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. So once you go through your apprenticeship, then,
- 23 | you know, you're kind of certified as a journeyman, and
- 24 then from there you go to foreman, and then from there you
- 25 go to superintendent.

So when you -- so I understand what you're 1 2 saying. I just want to make sure the record is clear when 3 I go back and look at this. When you were saying your 4 position at Berger Brothers, for example -- you said you 5 were a superintendent? 6 Α. Uh-huh. 7 Is that your -- that's your level of expertise as 0. 8 determined by the union, or was that the position that you 9 were hired as, or is there no difference?

- A. There's a difference. The person paying you needs you to have a certain amount of expertise in order to hold that position.
- Q. Right.

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- 14 A. The union doesn't have anything to say about it.
- Q. Okay. All right. Did -- when you worked at Berger Brothers Construction did you ever work on any residential projects?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. How many did you work on approximately?
- 20 A. Two.
- Q. Okay. And where were those projects located, if you recall?
- 23 A. Oakland Hills.
- Q. And the other one?
- 25 A. Knightsen.

- 1 Q. Can you spell that.
- 2 A. K-n-i-g-h-t-s-e-n.
- Q. Where is Knightsen?
- 4 A. It's northeast.
- 5 | O. In California?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Okay. And were those two projects single-family
- 8 homes?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And I'm assuming -- well, were you -- in what
- 11 | capacity did you work on those two single-family homes for
- 12 | Berger Brothers? As a foreman, superintendent?
- 13 A. As a foreman.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. And as a superintendent. Both, yeah.
- 16 Q. Okay. Does that mean that maybe one of those
- 17 | projects you were the foreman and the other was the
- 18 | superintendent, or was it superintendent/foreman all
- 19 | together?
- 20 A. Superintendent/foreman all together.
- 21 Q. I see. Okay.
- 22 A. In other words, I didn't have a foreman on either
- 23 one of those.
- Q. I understand. Did you have a supervisor at
- 25 | Berger Brothers?

- 1 A. No.
- Q. Okay. How would you know about the jobs that you would be assigned to?
- 4 A. Vice president.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 A. And the estimator.
- Q. All right. When you were working there who was the vice president that you would interact with?
- 9 A. Jesse Jones.
- 10 O. Is it "Jesse" with an I-E or an E?
- 11 A. I think it's just an E.
- Q. Okay. And then the estimator that you worked
- 13 | with?
- 14 A. I forget his name.
- 15 Q. Okay. All right.
- 16 A. Jeremy.
- 17 Q. And just so I understand kind of how it worked,
- 18 | would you give either Jeremy or Mr. -- I'm assuming it's a
- 19 Mr. Jones -- periodic updates on the progress of the
- 20 | projects that you would be assigned to?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And I'm assuming that, certainly in the instance
- 23 of Jeremy, they would be paying attention to how much
- 24 | money was being put into the project?
- 25 A. Yes.

Okay, okay. Has any of your licenses or 1 2 certificates ever been suspended for any reason? 3 Α. No. 4 Have you ever been prevented from working on a 5 construction site before? 6 Α. No. 7 Okay. So I'm just going to say this. You've Ο. 8 been -- you have sued -- this lawsuit is brought on behalf 9 of yourself and as a trustee for the Madison Trust FBO 10 Patrick Gallagher. Do you understand that? 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. All right. And you are a trustee in the Madison 13 Trust? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Okay. Are there any other trustees? 16 Α. No. Okay. How long has the Madison Trust existed? 17 Q. 18 Α. You're asking me to guess. 19 Ο. Okay. Do you have an estimate?

- 20 A. Fifteen years.
- Q. Okay. Would it be fair to say it was created after your retirement from Berger Brothers?
- 23 A. Before.
- Q. Okay. And at least at one point in time the Madison Trust owned 200 Naples Street?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's the property that's the main subject of your lawsuit, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. If I ever refer to "the property," I'm talking about 200 Naples, just so you and I understand each other.
- 8 A. Okay.

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- Q. You'll understand that, right?
- 10 A. Uh-huh, yes.
- 11 Q. There you go. Okay. There was another entity 12 that came into ownership.
- 13 A. GC Block Investments.
- 14 Q. Are you associated with GC Block Investments?
- 15 A. It's actually owned by Madison Trust FBO Patrick 16 Gallagher.
- Q. Okay. I saw another Gallagher was part of the management of GC Block Investments. It looked like a -- I

didn't bring a copy of it, but a Ryan or a -- nobody?

- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Okay. If I find it I'll show it to you later.
- 22 | Well, are you -- I think you answered this, but just so
- 23 | I'm reoriented, you are involved with GC Block
- 24 | Investments, correct?
- 25 A. No longer.

Okay. Is GC Block Investments still a legal 1 Ο. 2 entity, as far as you know? 3 Α. No. 4 Okay. It's actually GCBlockInvestments.com, Q. 5 right? 6 Right. Α. 7 Ο. When did GCBlockInvestments.com cease to exist? 8 Α. 2021. 9 Okay. And what was the reason that it ceased to O. 10 exist? 11 It was no longer needed. Α. 12 Q. What do you mean by that? 13 The trust had a single investment strategy, and that was to invest into GCBlockInvestments.com. Okay? 14 So I'd have to get investment authorization from Madison 15 Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, and that would be invested 16 into GC Block Investments. It took about a week 17 18 sometimes, and then GC Block Investments would go purchase 19 the property, improve it, sell it, and then the proceeds 20 would go back to Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher. 2.1 Okay. Were you done? O. 22 Α. Yep. 23 Okay. All right. So -- and I'm just -- I'm not Ο. 24 trying to put words in your mouth here, but did 25 GCBlockInvestments.com basically renovate residential

properties? 1 2 Α. Yes. And what -- I understand the trust owned 3 Ο. Okay. 4 GCBlockInvestments.com, but did you have a role in 5 GCBlockInvestments.com? 6 Α. Yes. 7 Were you the manager? Ο. 8 Α. Yes. 9 Were you the CEO? Ο. 10 I believe I was titled as Manager. Α. 11 Okay. Were there any other employees at Q. 12 GCBlockInvestments.com? 13 Α. No, not employees. No. 14 Q. It sounds like what you might be saying is that 15 GCBlockInvestments.com would hire people, but there were no full-time employees, other than maybe yourself? 16 17 Α. Right. 18 And the people that GCBlockInvestments.com would Ο. 19 hire would be people who would work on the homes that you 20 were renovating? Electricians, plumbers, flooring people. 2.1 Α. 22 O. Okay. But nobody was on the payroll full-time 23 there? 24 Α. No. All right. Okay. 25 Q. I see. Have you been

1 | associated with any other companies, other than -- in a

- 2 | personal capacity, not like, you know, you worked for the
- 3 | Berger Brothers or that, but a company like
- 4 | GCBlockInvestments.com, have you ever been involved with a
- 5 | company like that before, other than that one?
- 6 A. Not that I recall.
- 7 Q. Okay, okay. So how did -- and I'm going to refer
- 8 | also to you, and when I say -- when I mean that I mean you
- 9 | not only as your individual capacity but also as trustee
- 10 for the Madison Trust. Okay? Do you understand that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. All right. If there's a difference between your
- 13 | answer to a question that I ask between your individual
- 14 | capacity and your capacity as trustee, just let me know,
- 15 | please.
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 Q. All right. So when did -- when did you become
- 18 | the owner of 200 Naples?
- 19 A. On or about May 2018.
- 20 Q. Okay. And how did you come to purchase Naples?
- 21 A. Through a real estate purchase.
- 22 | O. Sure, but was it, like, in foreclosure or --
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall what the purchase price was?
- 25 A. I think it was 795.

- 1 0. \$795,000?
- 2 A. Yeah.
- Q. And had you, the trust, or GCBlockInvestments.com
- 4 | ever owned a property in San Francisco prior to May 2018?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Okay. Had you ever worked on a residential
- 7 | project -- residential construction project in the City
- 8 | and County of San Francisco prior to this one?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. When was the last time you did not --
- 11 | you'd done that?
- 12 A. Probably early 2000s.
- Q. And do you remember anything about that project?
- 14 | I know it was a while ago, so ...
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Just that you worked on it and it was in the
- 17 | City?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And do you remember what capacity you had
- 20 | in that project, the prior residential project?
- 21 A. I don't recall.
- 22 Q. Okay, okay. All right. And when -- when you
- 23 purchased the property did you have an idea of what you
- 24 | wanted to do with it?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 0. What was that?
- A. I wanted to add four dormers and renovate the whole house.
- Q. All right. When you say "dormers," what do you mean by that?
  - A. I don't know how else to explain it.
- 7 Q. Okay.

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- 8 A. It's a dormer.
- 9 Q. All right. And when you say "renovate the whole 10 house," what do you mean by that?
- 11 A. Soup to nuts.
- 12 Q. Okay. So are you demolishing the home itself?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Are you -- was your intention to rearrange the floor plan of the home?
- 16 A. No.
- Q. Was your intention just to -- I guess I'm trying to figure out what you mean by "soup to nuts" specifically.
- 20 A. It needed all new plumbing. It needed all new 21 electrical. It needed all new flooring. It needed all
- 22 new drywall, all new paint, all new appliances, all new
- 23 bathrooms, all new countertops, all new cabinets, so just
- 24 | imagine the house with nothing in it.
- Q. Okay. And were you -- was your intention to add

1 any additional, you know, bathrooms, kitchens, bedrooms,

- 2 anything of that to the existing floor plan when you
- 3 | bought it?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Okay. And who -- did you have a real estate
- 6 agent when you purchased the property?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And what was their name?
- 9 A. Nancy Valverde.
- 10 Q. Can you spell "Valverde."
- 11 A. Probably no better than you can.
- 12 Q. Okay. All right. Valverde, V-a-l-v-e-r-d-e?
- 13 A. (Shrugging head.)
- 14 Q. All right. And had you and Ms. Valverde worked
- 15 | together before?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Okay. How did you -- how did you get -- you
- 18 | know, how did you get hooked up with Ms. Valverde?
- 19 A. My fiancee worked for her.
- 20 Q. Okay. Do you currently have a fiancee?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 | O. Your fiancee at the time?
- 23 A. Right.
- 24 Q. Okay. I've just got to ask her name. What's
- 25 | your fiancee's name -- or ex-fiancee's name?

- 1 A. Cathy Cross.
- Q. Is "Cathy" with a C or a K?
- 3 A. C.
- 4 Q. Okay. And Cross?
- 5 A. C.
- Q. Okay, okay. And what company did Ms. Valverde
- 7 | work for?
- 8 A. Berkshire Hathaway.
- 9 Q. At what location?
- 10 A. Brentwood.
- Q. All right. Okay, okay. I'm going to kind of skip ahead a little bit here and ask you a little bit
- about the damages that you're claiming in this case.
- 14 A. Okay.
- Q. And from your complaint I've seen -- there's some
- 16 | specific items that you're claiming, mainly regarding the
- 17 | window replacements that -- I think the complaint said
- 18 about \$30,000 was what you estimated that to be.
- 19 A. I think probably more than that.
- Q. Okay. Well, I'm just trying to orient you right
- 21 | now.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. And then there's, I think, three instances of
- 24 potential sales that went through or that did not go
- 25 | through?

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. So, I guess, what I wanted to ask you to
- 3 | start with was when did you first put the home or the
- 4 | property on the market to resell it?
- 5 A. I believe it was in 2021, but it might have been
- 6 2020.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. Actually, I think it was 2020, now that I think
- 9 about it.
- 10 Q. All right. And do you have a month in 2020 when
- 11 | you think it went on?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Well, 2020 was a memorable year for a lot
- 14 of reasons.
- 15 A. Uh-huh.
- 16 Q. So was your recollection that it happened in 2020
- 17 | after COVID hit?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Was it after the summer?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. All right. So somewhere in the fall or winter
- 22 | before?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And did you have a real estate agent that was
- 25 | representing you?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And what was their name?
- 3 A. Nancy Valverde.
- Q. Okay. And what was the listing price for the property?
- 6 A. I don't recall. I think it was 1.19.
- 7 Q. \$1.19 million?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. When -- let me back up. Sorry.
- When you purchased the property initially did you
- 11 | receive sale disclosures from the current owner?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And through those disclosures did you learn that there were some pending notices of violation on the
- 15 property from the Department of Building Inspection?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you later learn that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. Now, when you put the property on the
- 20 market in 2020 were there any pending NOV's or orders of
- 21 abatement on the property at that time?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Okay. So as far as when you put it on the market
- 24 | there were no -- there's no current enforcement action by
- 25 | the San Francisco Department of Building Inspection?

A. None.

- Q. Okay. All right. Okay. So the property's put -- sorry. Separate and apart from any enforcement from DBI, was there any other liens or any other encumbrances on the property at the time you put it back
- A. No.

on the market in 2020?

- Q. Okay, okay. Did the property get any interest as far as potential purchasers?
- 10 A. Sort of.
- 11 Q. What do you mean by that?
  - A. Well, over 30 people called to view it, but at that time there were so many restrictions because of COVID that you had to fill out this nine-page questionnaire, and they wanted to know everything, where you go to church, where you go to lunch, and it was really intrusive, so we got thirty inquiries or -- probably more than that, and everybody that had to fill out this questionnaire just walked.
  - Q. Okay. Just so I understand what I think you're saying is of the 30 people who indicated interest in purchasing your property, none of them actually went to view the property, at least from a formal tour perspective?
    - A. I don't know that for sure.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- A. A few might have, but I wasn't there to show it to them. That's why you hire a realtor, right?
- 4 0. Sure.
- 5 A. But nobody wanted to fill out that questionnaire.
- Q. Okay. I guess I'm just trying to figure out when you said, you know, of the 30 people that filled out the guestionnaire, all of them walked --
  - A. Yeah.

- 10 Q. -- what do you mean by that?
- 11 A. Nobody wanted to fill out that questionnaire.
- Q. Okay. So was it a matter of Ms. Valverde saying,
  "You've got to fill this questionnaire out if you want to
  come look at the property," and everybody said, "I don't
- 15 | want to do it"?
- A. That was the City of San Francisco's guidelines at the time for this COVID thing. You remember how crazy it all got.
- 19 Q. I do.
- 20 A. Yeah.
- Q. All I want to understand is that, at least as far as you understand it, you had 30 people interested or at least that inquired about looking at this property?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. And not one of them agreed to fill out the

questionnaire that would allow them to come and look at 1 2 it? 3 Α. Right. 4 That's what you're saying? O. 5 Α. Yes. Okay. All right. And do you -- well, there's 6 O. 7 nothing in your lawsuit that has to do with the City's 8 restrictions on COVID, is there? 9 Α. No. Okay. And as far as the defendants in this case 10 O. 11 go, Mr. Curran, Mr. Santos, Mr. Hughen, Mr. Birmingham and 12 Ms. Kwaitkowska, they didn't have anything to do with that 13 questionnaire, as far as you know? 14 Α. No. Okay. So would it be fair to say then, sir, that 15 0. 16 the lack of people coming to see the property in the fall of 2020 is not, in your mind, the fault of the City and 17 County of San Francisco? 18 19 Α. No. 20 Okay. All right. So 30 people call to view the Q. 2.1 property. Thirty people don't want to fill out the 22 questionnaire. What do you recall happening next? 23 We waited until '21. Α. 24 Q. So did you take the property off the market? 25 Α. Yes.

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Q. And then put it back on in 2021?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Do you remember the month when you put it back on the property (verbatim)?
  - A. I believe it was March, maybe April.
  - Q. Okay. Sometime in the spring?
- 7 A. Yes, after they had lifted those idiotic 8 quidelines.
- 9 Q. Okay. When you put the property back on the
  10 market in March and April of 2021 were there any existing
  11 notices of violation on the property at that time?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Were there any existing orders of abatement on the property at that time?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Was there any enforcement from the San Francisco
  Planning Department at the property at that time?
- 18 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Any other liens or encumbrances that were on the property when you put it back on the market in March or April of 2021?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. When the property was put back on the market in the spring of 2021 was Ms. Valverde still your real estate agent?

- 1 A. No.
- Q. Who was your real estate agent at that time?
- 3 A. Mike Aranda.
- 4 Q. How do you spell "Aranda"?
- 5 A. A-r-a-n-d-a.
- 6 0. Okay. And how did you come to hire Mr. Aranda?
- 7 A. He's the son of a friend of mine.
- 8 Q. All right. He's a licensed real estate agent?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And who does he work for at least?
- 11 A. I forget.
- 12 Q. Okay. All right. And was there a reason why you
- 13 | didn't use Ms. Valverde?
- 14 A. She wanted to continue using those guidelines
- 15 | from 2020.
- 16 Q. I see. Okay. And where was Mr. Aranda based out
- 17 of, his business?
- 18 A. He lives in Livermore. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Okay. How about this? Was he based in the city,
- 20 Mr. Aranda?
- 21 | A. I don't know. He does a lot of work on the
- 22 peninsula, so maybe.
- Q. Okay. And what was the listing price for the
- 24 | property at that time?
- 25 A. I believe it was 1.2.

- 1 Q. Million, right?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. So it went up a tick?
- 4 A. You're asking me to guess.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 A. It was around there.
- 7 Q. All right.
- 8 A. You know, realtors try and do different things
- 9 | with the numbers, like eights are supposed to be lucky in
- 10 | Chinese. Do you know what I mean?
- 11 Q. Yeah.
- 12 A. Okay.
- Q. Okay. And did the property have any interest?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And what do you remember in that regard?
- 16 A. We had offers, several.
- 17 Q. How many, if you remember?
- 18 A. I think three.
- 19 Q. Okay. Do you remember specifically what the
- 20 offers were for?
- 21 A. You mean the amount?
- 22 O. Yeah.
- 23 A. Right around 1.2.
- Q. Okay. Were they all -- well, I mean, do you have
- 25 | a specific memory of one being higher than the others, or

were they all kind of generally in the same --1 2 Α. I don't recall. 3 Q. Okay, okay. Did you actually select one of the offers? 4 5 Α. Yes. 6 And is it about -- the amount of the Q. Okav. 7 offer, was it about 1.2 million? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Okay. Do you remember who made the offer? Ο. 10 Α. No. 11 Do you remember whether or not the person who Q. made the offer -- the entity that made the offer, were 12 13 they represented by a real estate agent? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Do you remember who the real estate agent was? 16 Α. No. Okay. Did you have any personal involvement in 17 Q. 18 that part of the process? 19 Α. The realtors took care of their jobs. 20 Okay. Did that offer go into escrow? Ο. 2.1 Α. Yes. 22 Q. Okay. And, I mean, the sale was not finalized, 23 right? 24 Α. No. 25 Q. And why was that?

Because either mid or late May they red-tagged my 1 Α. 2 house.

- Ο. When you say "they" who do you mean?
- 4 The building department. Α.
- And we'll talk about some of the NOV's, but I O. think when you say "red-tagged," there was a number of 7 notices of violation that were issued by the Department of Building Inspection?
- 9 At that time? Α.
- 10 Correct. O.

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- 11 No, just the one. Α.
- 12 Okay. And so just so I understand the timing of Q. 13 it, when did the property go into escrow?
- 14 Α. Late April, early May.
- 15 Okay. So it was during the escrow period that Ο. 16 these -- that the home was red-tagged?
- 17 Α. Yeah. It had four days to go to close escrow.
- 18 Okay. All right. And do you recall any of Ο. 19 the -- like what happened with the buyer? Did they say, 20 "I don't want to deal with it," or how did it fall apart?
  - They were willing to wait until I was able Α. No. to straighten all this out, because I just thought it was a mistake. You know, they wrote me up for an expired permit, and I had a certificate of completion in hand, so I just figured it was an error. They just got the wrong

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- Q. Okay. I guess -- and I know this is going to be difficult, because I know you want to talk about that, but I guess what I'm trying to get at just now is what eventually happened that made the sale fall apart?
  - A. They red-tagged the house.
- Q. No, I get that, but you just said -- I think I heard you say that the potential buyer was willing to work with you until the issues surrounding the red tag went away, right?
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. Correct?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. And then at some point their willingness to work with you on that stopped?
  - A. Right.
- 17 Q. And when did that happen?
  - A. It happened -- when I first got red-tagged I went down to the building department and they said, "Oh, you need to speak with Mauricio," so I spoke with Mauricio, and Mauricio tells me "Oh, no, no. You have to speak with Joe Duffy on this matter, and he's out for two weeks," and then Joe Duffy comes back after two weeks and tells me "I'm assigning this to Mauricio." It's like "Okay. Well, I already talked to Mauricio, and he said to talk to you."

- 1 | He said, "Well, I'm assigning it to Mauricio." I said,
- 2 | "Okay. Great. Let's get Mauricio on it." "Yeah, he's
- 3 | out for two weeks."
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. And then that's when it fell apart.
- 6 Q. Okay. So more or less a month after this --
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Just let me finish. A month after the property
- 9 | is red-tagged is when the sale -- the escrow and the
- 10 | potential sale fell apart?
- 11 A. Approximately.
- 12 Q. Okay. Yeah. I get that. So I think you said
- 13 | that the home was red-tagged in mid to late May, so that
- 14 | would put us in mid to late June 2021, correct?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. When the sale fell apart?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 | O. Okay. All right. And then did you put -- well,
- 19 were there any other interested buyers at that point, or
- 20 do you know whether or not your agent even inquired about
- 21 | that?
- 22 A. There still were.
- 23 Q. Okay. And did any of those potential buyers --
- 24 | did you guys actually get into escrow on those?
- 25 A. I don't recall.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- A. It was -- later on we did again a couple more
- 3 | times, but I don't believe with any of the other ones,
- 4 | because we were all up in the air, didn't know what was
- 5 | going on.
- 6 Q. So let me ask it this way then. How many other
- 7 | times did the property go into escrow, other than the one
- 8 | we just talked about in late April, May 2021?
- 9 A. I believe two more times.
- 10 Q. Okay. Let's just talk about the second time --
- 11 | the second of the three times. When did that happen?
- 12 A. I don't recall. It had to have been -- I'd be
- 13 | guessing.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. It had to be '22.
- 16 Q. 2022?
- 17 A. Yeah.
- 18 Q. But you can't give me a month?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 O. All right. All right. So do you remember the
- 21 | purchase price when it went into escrow the second time?
- 22 A. I believe it was about the same.
- 23 | O. About 1.2 million?
- A. Yeah.
- 25 Q. Okay. And you might notice a pattern to my

questions, but at that time the second escrow, were there 1 2 any notices of violation on the property at that time? 3 Α. Yes. Okay. Was it the same notice of violation as 4 Q. 5 before, or were there different ones? 6 Α. No. 7 Ο. Different ones? 8 Α. It was a new one. 9 Okay. Just one, though? O. There were the windows, and that happened twice. 10 Α. Okay. Was there any planning enforcement at your 11 Q. 12 property when it went into escrow a second time? 13 Well, Kevin Birmingham came out and said my 14 windows were illegal. 15 Ο. Okay. But he works for the Department of 16 Building Inspection? 17 Α. Right. 18 Right. I guess I'm asking about planning now. O. 19 So did you have any planning enforcement at the property? 20 Α. No. 2.1 Okay. All right. And do you believe that the --O. 22 well, do you believe that -- I'm assuming the second 23 escrow period, that deal also fell apart? 24 Α. Yes.

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All right. And why do you believe it fell apart?

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A. Well, we still couldn't get another certificate of completion.

Q. Okay.

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- A. They claimed the original had expired, which it had not. It had been completed, so they just continued lying, and then Birmingham comes out and says, "Your windows are illegal." Well, the windows were spec'd by Kathleen Campbell at SF DBI. Planning specifically states what windows you can and can't use.
- Q. Okay. So would it be fair to say that the -- in your opinion, the second sale -- potential sale fell through because of the enforcement at DBI?
- 13 A. Right.
- 14 Q. Against the property?
- 15 A. Right.
- Q. And your recollection for the second sale is that it had to do with the windows?
- 18 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. All right. But it would be fair to say, though, that the purchase price -- at least the potential purchase price was, essentially, the same between the first escrow period and the second escrow period?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. All right. And then I think you said -- oh, was -- Mr. Aranda, was he still your real

1 estate agent? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Q. Okay. And then, I believe, you said there was a 4 third escrow period that fell out? 5 Yes. Α. 6 O. Okay. And when did that happen? 7 Α. '23. 8 O. Okay. Hold on. If you're looking at some 9 documents I need to look at what you're talking about. 10 So I'm holding an e-mail that you brought in today 11 from a Kathy MacKenzie, M-a-c-K-e-n-z-i-e, Kathy with a K, 12 talking about an update for closing, so I think now would 13 be a good time to do something I should have done 14 initially. Mr. Gallagher, before we started we had a brief 15 16 conversation about some documents that you brought in 17 today. 18 Α. Uh-huh. 19 O. Yes? 20 Α. Yes. 2.1 Okay. And these are documents that appear to O. 22 have been responsive to prior discovery requests and that 23 you asked me -- these are actually not copies for me to 24 have but copies that I would need to make of these

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Q. And so what we agreed off the record was that a very cursory review of these records appear to be duplicates of things I already have, but if there are issues that I wanted to inquire about after this deposition, I'm going to keep it open and we'll sort out the scheduling of inquiring about these documents.

Okay. So one of the questions I wanted to ask you towards the end was who is Kathy MacKenzie, and I think the e-mail that you just handed me answers that question. She was an escrow officer for you?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And she worked with, I presume, your real estate agent for the third escrow period that fell apart?
- 15 A. Yes.
  - Q. And the e-mail is dated July 19th, 2023, so does that accurately reflect generally the escrow period for the third sale --
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. -- potential sale? All right. I also see a name here, charlesquan@corcoranicon.com,
- 22 | c-o-r-c-o-r-a-n-i-c-o-n. Who's Mr. Quan?
- A. He's my newest real estate agent.
- Q. Okay. Did Mr. Quan represent you for the third sale?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Or third escrow period, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And did you have a relationship with
- 5 Mr. Quan -- professional relationship with Mr. Quan prior
- 6 to the third potential sale?
- 7 A. We had talked.
- Q. Okay. But in your mind, he was never acting as
- 9 | an agent on your behalf prior to the third escrow period;
- 10 | is that true?
- 11 A. No, he was my listing agent.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. First it was Nancy. Then it was Mike, and then
- 14 | it was Charles.
- 15 Q. And when did Mr. Quan begin working for you?
- 16 | A. You're asking me to guess. Late '22, early '23.
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 A. Late '22.
- 19 Q. Okay. After the second escrow period but before
- 20 | the third?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. All right. And so, you know, I'm sorry.
- 23 Getting back to the second escrow period, you know, you
- 24 described after the first escrow period the potential
- 25 | buyers were initially willing to work with you to help

1 | abate some of the issues that DBI was saying existed at

- 2 | the property. For the second escrow period you were
- 3 | saying that there was an issue with the windows. Was
- 4 | there any willingness on the behalf of the second escrow
- 5 | buyer to work with you to resolve the issues?
- 6 A. Not exactly.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. The issue with the windows was a lot more
- 9 | technical. For one thing, Kevin Birmingham was lying
- 10 | through his teeth. He was making this crap up, so I got a
- 11 | hold of the board of supervisors --
- 12 Q. Okay. Hold on. I feel like I know where you're
- 13 | going to go with this, and I just -- I'm asking a pretty
- 14 | narrow question right now. We're going to talk about that
- 15 | stuff. Don't you worry, but really what I want to know is
- 16 | was there a willingness on behalf of the potential buyer
- 17 | in the second escrow period to, you know, go through with
- 18 | the sale, despite what was going on with DBI?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Okay. So once they heard about what was going on
- 21 | they're like "We're out"?
- 22 A. Once they heard how long it was going to take.
- O. Okay. Great. Now getting back to the third
- 24 escrow period, do you remember approximately what the
- 25 | proposed purchase price was?

- A. It was about the same.
- Q. Okay. So for the three potential escrow periods
- 3 or -- for the three escrow periods that you entered into
- 4 | pertaining to the property, all of the purchase prices
- 5 | were relatively the same?
- 6 A. Yes.

- 7 Q. All right. What was your understanding of why
- 8 | that sale fell apart?
- 9 A. Second time?
- 10 O. The third time. Excuse me.
- 11 A. The third time they had went ahead and slapped
- 12 | these abatements on the house.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. Which hadn't been there before, and they're all
- 15 | from before I even owned the place.
- 16 Q. Okay.
- 17 A. They're from 2018, 2017 and 2016.
- 18 | O. Okay. And when you say that you're pointing to
- 19 | an e-mail that just says the complaint number with the
- 20 | year in the first four digits, right?
- 21 A. Right.
- 22 Q. All right.
- 23 A. And they did it purposely to stop the sale again.
- Q. Okay. But the e-mail that you've showed me,
- 25 | there's three orders of abatement, right?

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. And the e-mail that you're putting in front of me is an e-mail from Mr. Matthew Greene, correct?
- 4 A. He's part of the thread, yes.
- Q. Well, the particular e-mail that I'm looking at right now is from Matthew Greene, right?
- 7 A. Okay.
- 9 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And in this e-mail dated June 8, 2023, he tells you there are three orders of abatements, correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And one is recorded on February 3, 2019, correct?
- A. I don't believe so. Yeah, they were all recorded
- 15 | in 2019.
- 16 Q. All three of the orders of abatement that
- 17 Mr. Greene is indicating that are against your property
- 18 | were recorded in 2019?
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 | O. At least according to this e-mail?
- 21 A. According to that e-mail.
- 22 Q. Okay. And that was after you purchased the
- 23 | property?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay. And this e-mail again is dated June 8,

1 2023?

A. Right.

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- Q. Okay. So are you saying that the -- you're not saying that the orders of abatement were recorded to prevent the sale of the property, are you?
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So are you saying that back in 2019 DBI was working to prevent you from selling the property?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Okay. Then what are you saying?
- 11 A. I'm saying that these abatements were cleared in 12 2018, all three of them. Okay? Then he came in and 13 slapped them back on the house.
- Q. Okay. So what you're saying is that the orders
  of abatement that Mr. Greene is referencing in this e-mail
  were abated, were cleared by the --
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. -- Department of Building Inspection?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And that he ignored that abatement or did something to bring it back up at that time?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. I see. Okay.
- A. Yes. And just because he's got something in writing on an e-mail, I wouldn't count on the validity of

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- Q. I'm not getting into that right now.
- 3 A. Okay.
- Q. Just you gave it to me so that's why I'm asking
  you about it. Okay. All right. And so would it be fair
  to say then that the third escrow period fell apart for
  the same reason as the second one? In other words, there
  was some enforcement going on with DBI that the potential
- 10 A. Right.
- Q. Okay, okay. And so I guess you're not claiming, though, that the -- well, did you eventually sell the property?

buyer didn't want to wait around to have resolved?

- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And when did that happen?
- 16 A. A few months ago.
- 17 Q. Okay. This year?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. What was the purchase price?
- 20 A. One million.
- Q. Okay. And so would it be fair to say that part of your damage claim is the .2 difference between the prior escrow periods and what it eventually sold for?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Who was your real estate agent for that

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         Α.
              That was Delia Colmenares.
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              You're going to have to spell that.
              D-e-l-i-a, and then Colmenares. I don't know.
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              Okay. That's a woman, right?
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         Α.
              Yes.
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              And Ms. Colmenares, is she associated with a real
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     estate brokerage --
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         Α.
              Yes.
              -- outfit? Which one?
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         Ο.
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         Α.
              Homes by Delia.
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              And where is she based out of, location?
         Q.
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         Α.
              Discovery Bay.
              Do you know whether or not Ms. Colmenares had any
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         Q.
     experience selling or purchasing homes in San Francisco?
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              I don't know.
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              MR. SIMS: I'm going to -- let's just mark this
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     as one. Let me do one that's not stapled.
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                   was marked for identification.)
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     BY MR. SIMS:
              Now, Mr. Gallagher, you have in front of you
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     what's been marked as Defendant's Exhibit 1. Do you
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     recognize that document, sir?
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Do you recognize it as the operative complaint in 1 Ο. 2 this case? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Okay. I'd like you to turn to page 12, and look Q. 5 at paragraph number 48. 6 Α. Okay. 7 And the last -- that paragraph describes work Ο. 8 that you performed regarding the windows at your property, 9 correct? 10 Α. Yes. 11 And you estimate the work associated with that --Q. 12 the facts alleged in that paragraph to be approximately 13 \$30,000? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Okay. Do you -- you've produced documents in Q. 16 this case, correct, sir? 17 Α. Yes. 18 Did you produce any receipts related to the O. 19 windows? 20 Α. Produce to whom? 21 To me or the City. 0. 22 Α. No. 23 Okay. Do you have any proof of the -- that the 0. 24 work associated with paragraph 48 cost approximately 25 \$30,000?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And what proof do you have?
- 3 A. Bank records, cancelled checks.
- 4 Q. Okay. And why didn't you produce those?
- 5 A. I'm trying to produce everything you asked for.
- 6 | It's just, you know -- I don't know. Did you ask for
- 7 | them?
- 8 Q. Yeah.
- 9 A. I must have missed it.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you still believe that the work cost
- 11 | about \$30,000?
- 12 A. I think it probably cost more than that.
- Q. And how much more?
- 14 A. I don't know. \$40,000.
- 15 Q. Okay. There's also -- and I forget where it is,
- 16 | but there's an allegation that the assessed value of the
- 17 | property from the tax assessor went up during your
- 18 | ownership at 200 Naples.
- 19 A. It went up August 27th of 2020.
- 20 Q. Okay. Do you believe that the named defendants
- 21 | in this case had a hand in that occurring? In other
- 22 | words, is that part of your lawsuit?
- 23 A. What's the question?
- 24 Q. The increase in the assessed value and the
- 25 taxable assessed value of your property, is that part of

1 | your damage claim in this lawsuit?

A. No.

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- Q. Okay. Other than -- I'm assuming, though, that the tax that you had to pay on the property between the time you believe you should have sold it and when it was eventually sold is something that you're claiming a damage -- as damage in this case, right?
- 8 A. Yes.
  - Q. Okay. Are there any other damages that you're claiming in this case, other than what we talked about regarding the windows and the difference between the purchase price of the escrow periods and the eventual sale price and the amount of tax that you paid on the property between when you believe you should have sold it and when it eventually sold?
  - A. Seven years. This project should have taken me 10 weeks and \$100,000. It took me seven years and well over two million.
  - Q. Okay. Do you have any documents associated with that claim?
    - A. Yeah.
- 22 Q. Okay. And what documents do you have?
- A. Again, cancelled checks, bank records.
- Q. Okay. And those documents are in your

25 | possession?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 A. You know, as I recall, I think I was going to
- 4 | object to sending you financial records, but I guess I
- 5 can -- I can black out some of it and send the substantial
- 6 stuff.
- 7 Q. Okay. But other than -- I just want to make sure
- 8 | I understand the universe of damages that you're claiming
- 9 in this case. So we've got the difference in the escrow
- 10 | and the sale price. We've got the tax. We've got, sounds
- 11 like, the time and money to get the property into
- 12 | compliance with what DBI was telling you you needed to do,
- 13 | right?
- 14 A. Uh-huh, yes.
- 15 Q. And the cost of the windows, correct?
- 16 A. Well, there's more to it than that.
- 17 Q. That's what I'm trying to ask you about.
- 18 A. The holding costs alone were \$7,000 a month.
- 19 Q. What do you mean by "holding costs"?
- 20 A. The mortgage, the insurance.
- 21 Q. And you have documents that support that claim,
- 22 | correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. Anything else?
- 25 | A. Lost income on the 1.2.

And we talked about that already, right? Ο.

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- We talked about the difference between the 3 Ο. sale -- the difference between the 1.2 escrow price and 4 the eventual sale price of the \$1 million?
  - Α. That's not the lost income.
  - Okay. Well, tell me what you mean by that. 0.
  - Α. When I would buy a house, fix it up and sell it, on average I made about 15 percent, so over the years, I'd say, 2010 up to about 2018 I was making about \$300,000 a year on the principal, so we're looking at \$300,000 a year that I didn't earn for seven years.
  - Ο. I see. So let me try and say it in a way that I think you mean, that had this sale gone as you expected it, you would have taken that money that you made from the property and put it into another project?
- 17 Α. Yes.
  - And that money would have funded a different Ο. house renovation project at a different location that would have potentially made you another chunk of money?
    - Α. Yes.
- 22 O. And because this project was held up you were prevented from doing that? 23
- 24 Α. Right.
- 25 MR. SIMS: Okay. I see. Okay, okay. I think I

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understand. I'm at a good transition point. 1 2 minutes. 3 (Recess was taken.) BY MR. SIMS: 4 5 All right. Mr. Gallagher, we took a quick break, O. and before we start with a new line of questioning I just 6 7 want to confirm there's nothing about your prior testimony 8 that you wanted to add or modify. Is that correct? 9 Α. No. 10 Okay. Great. I'm only going to say this next Q. 11 part because you are pro se, which is a legal term meaning 12 "representing yourself." You've reviewed Exhibit 1 13 before, and are you aware that there was a motion to 14 dismiss that was granted by the judge in our case? 15 Α. Yes. 16 Okay. And do you have an understanding that as a Ο. 17 result of that ruling that the -- there's two main legal 18 issues that you have against the City and its employees, 19

result of that ruling that the -- there's two main legal issues that you have against the City and its employees, one, that the individual defendants that you have named retaliated against you in their enforcement and that the City has a policy and practice of doing that against homeowners seeking to renovate homes in San Francisco? Do you understand that that's the legal claims that were made in the case?

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A. They retaliated against me because of --

Q. We're going to talk about the facts that support your claims. I'm just -- generally you understand that those are the claims?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Great. And so the reason I said that is because I'm going to go through the defendants that are named in this case and ask you specific questions about what you think each one of them did.
- 9 A. Okay.
- Q. Okay? So William Hughen -- and I'm not sure if
  I'm pronouncing that right, but it's spelled H-u-g-h-e-n.
- 12 Do you know Mr. Hughen?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And how do you know Mr. Hughen?
- 15 A. He's in planning.
- 16 Q. And what capacity does he work in planning?
- A. He was the one I had to go through for the ADU application.
- Q. Okay. And did Mr. Hughen eventually approve your ADU application?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Was that because he stopped working for the City?
- 23 A. No, he ended up passing it off to Natalia.
- Q. Okay. Do you know why that happened?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Why, or what's your understanding?
- A. At the time I was in contact with the board of supervisors' office.
- 4 Q. Okay.

- A. And so they had assigned me a representative from their office to assist me. I forget what his name was.
- 7 | Ernest Jones, Ernest Jones. They called him "EJ." So
- 8 | Will Hughen threw up every roadblock he could think of,
- 9 and he just made this stuff up. None of it was actually
- 10 | lawful. It was actually all unlawful. In the first
- 11 | place --
- 12 Q. Just hold on one second. Sorry. So my question
- 13 | was why do you believe that the work from planning
- 14 | associated with your ADU application transferred from
- 15 Mr. Hughen to Ms. Kwaitkowska, K-w-a-i-t-k-o-w-s-k-a?
- 16 | Just that question right now.
- A. I think the board of supervisors came in and
- 18 | cracked down on him.
- 19 Q. So is it your belief that -- it wasn't the board
- 20 of supervisors. It was employees of the supervisor in the
- 21 | district that 200 Naples was in, correct?
- 22 A. What's the question?
- Q. I guess it's -- you're not saying that the
- 24 | collective board of supervisors -- in other words, all of
- 25 | the board of supervisors -- cracked down on your ADU

1 application? 2 Α. The board of supervisors were on my side. 3 Ο. Okay. And so, I guess, Mr. Jones -- who did he work for? 4 5 The board of supervisors. Α. 6 The entirety of the board? O. 7 Α. He was -- he worked for Ahsha. 8 Q. Right. I got it. 9 I forget his full name, but he represents Α. 10 District 10. 11 Q. Okay. 12 Safai Ahsha. Α. 13 MR. SIMS: I'll get you the spelling. And so was that the only -- he was a member of 14 Ο. the board of supervisors? 15

- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. And he represented the district in which your property lays?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. That was the only person on the board of supervisors that you were working with, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And so when you say the board of
  supervisors cracked down on planning, do you mean that the
  district supervisor for your district cracked down on

planning, or do you mean the entirety of the board of supervisors cracked down?

- A. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. All right. And when you say that the board of supervisors cracked down, what do you believe they did?
- 7 A. Well, what Will Hughen was doing was illegal.
- 8 Q. Okay.

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- 9 A. He was making up his own laws.
- 10 Q. Okay. So what do you think the supervisor did 11 about that?
- 12 A. I don't know, but he disappeared and Natalia 13 ended up taking over.
- Q. Okay. So I think earlier you said that your

belief was that the -- Mr. Hughen's responsibility related

- 16 to your property was transferred to Ms. Kwaitkowska
- 17 because the board of supervisors cracked down on what
- 18 Mr. Hughen was doing? Do I have that right?
- 19 A. I believe so.
- Q. Okay. And the basis for that statement, you have no basis, right?
- 22 A. No, I have a basis.
- 23 O. Okay. What is it?
- 24 A. Will Hughen instead of following the laws --
- 25 Q. Okay. I do appreciate that you believe that

- 1 Mr. Hughen was not following the laws.
- A. No, I know for a fact he wasn't following the
- 3 | laws.
- 4 Q. Fine, fine. That's fine. What I'm asking is
- 5 | specifically what do you believe happened from the
- 6 | supervisors' office that resulted in Mr. Hughen no longer
- 7 | being involved in your project?
- 8 A. I don't know. I don't know what was said to him.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. Just that it was taken away from him and sent
- 11 | over to Natalia.
- 12 Q. Okay. So you can't say with any certainty that
- 13 | that transfer happened for any other reason other than the
- 14 | fact that you were speaking with the staff of a member of
- 15 | the board of supervisors at the time?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 | A. So --
- 19 O. Just hold on.
- 20 A. Specifically Will Hughen I don't know, but later
- 21 on I can say for certainty what happened with planning
- 22 altogether.
- 23 Q. Okay. I'm just asking about Mr. Hughen right
- 24 now.
- 25 A. Okay. So we'll stick with Mr. Hughen.

Q. Right. So do you believe that Mr. Hughen -- it sounds like the crux of what you have claimed against
Mr. Hughen is that he was misinterpreting the laws and regulations pertaining to ADU's.

- A. No, he was ignoring.
- 6 Q. Okay.

- 7 A. And making up his own laws.
- Q. I see. Okay. So when did you first come in contact with Mr. Hughen?
- 10 A. When Mauricio forced me to apply for an ADU.
- 11 Q. With planning?
- 12 A. With planning.
- Q. And prior to -- prior to that had you ever interacted with Mr. Hughen?
- 15 A. I might have on the 2018 permit.
- 16 Q. Okay. Did that go to planning?
- 17 A. It went through all the stations.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. So that's why I say I might have.
- Q. But you don't have a specific recollection of
- 21 | that?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Okay. So -- you know, for purposes of this question, you know, I appreciate what you're saying about
- 25 Mr. Hughen either misinterpreting or making up his own

1 rules pertaining to ADU's. Why do you believe he was 2 doing that?

- A. I believe he was directed to by Joe Duffy.
- Q. Okay. You believe that Mr. Hughen was behaving or interpreting the laws in the ways that he did because of Joe Duffy?
- 7 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. And what is the basis for that statement, sir?
- 10 A. Well, have you ever heard of something called 11 "day law"?
  - Q. I mean, kind of.
- 13 A. It's nothing. It doesn't exist. It's not real.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- A. So when you apply for an ADU, all right -- and this is before. That goes -- you start with planning, and before you even get to planning you have to go through a screening process, and in that screening process your project has to fall under one of two ordinances. In my case I fell under 95-17.
  - Q. What's the other one?
- 22 A. It's 162 something. I forget.
- Q. Okay. And so -- so my question then is -- I'm asking you why you believe Mr. Hughen did the things you're alleging that he did because of Joe Duffy.

- 1 A. Right.
- 2 Q. Why?
- 3 A. Because Joe Duffy told him to.
- Q. Okay. Did you hear that continue -- was there a conversation about that?
- A. No, but I had spoken enough to Joe Duffy to know that he was really pissed off that I had spoken with the FBI.
- 9 Q. Okay. So have you ever been present for a conversation between yourself, Joe Duffy and Will Hughen?
- 11 A. I believe so, once, yeah.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. And Ernest Jones was there as well.
- 14 Q. That was during a meeting that you had?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. Other than that time, have you ever been privy to conversations between Mr. Hughen and
- 18 Mr. Duffy?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 | Q. Do you know who Mr. Duffy works for?
- 21 A. Yeah. He works for Patrick O'Riordan.
- 22 Q. At the Department of Building Inspection?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And you just said Mr. Hughen works for the planning department, right?

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Do you believe that Mr. Duffy has any ability to direct the conduct of Mr. Hughen?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 O. And what's the basis of that?
- A. He's the head of the department. He's the head of building.
- Q. You understand that planning is a separate department, correct?
- 10 A. It's still all within San Francisco DBI.
- 11 Q. That's what you believe?
- 12 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. You believe that the San Francisco
- 14 Planning Department is a subsidiary or part of the
- 15 | San Francisco Building Department?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay, okay. And that your understanding is that
- 18 | because Mr. Duffy is high up in the building department,
- 19 he has the authority to direct the actions taken by
- 20 Mr. Hughen?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. I see. Okay. And is that the only thing that
- 23 | you think that Mr. Hughen did wrong, that he was taking
- 24 | direction from Mr. Duffy?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- A. He wouldn't follow the rules set forth. So 95-17 is about that thick.
- Q. I understand. I'm trying to avoid getting into this part of the conversation with you right now because
- 6 I'm trying to really just hone in on what you think
- 7 Mr. Hughen did wrong, and I understand that you think that
- 8 he is either misinterpreting or making up his own rules
- 9 | and interpretation of those rules pertaining to ADU's, and
- 10 | what I'm hearing you saying is that at least part of the
- 11 reason why he was doing that was because Mr. Duffy told
- 12 him to do it.
- 13 A. I believe so.
- Q. Okay. Is that all you think Mr. Hughen did wrong as it pertains to your case here?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 | Q. Okay. I mean --
- A. I keep trying to explain it to you, but you keep cutting me off.
- Q. Okay. I think what you're about to explain to me is that he's misinterpreting 95-17.
- A. He's not even reading 95-17. He's making up his own laws.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. When you asked if these people were making

1 | policy, that's what I'm talking about.

- Q. So, I guess, what I'm getting at, Mr. Gallagher,
- 3 | is why -- okay. Other than working at the direction of
- 4 Mr. Duffy, why did Mr. Hughen, in your mind, take the
- 5 | actions he took?
- 6 A. To slow, obstruct, you know, derail the project.
- 7 Q. Okay. And why do you think he did that?
- A. I think Joe Duffy told him to because he was pissed off that I had given the FBI a statement.
- Q. Okay. Other than your belief that -- well, do
  you believe that Mr. Hughen intentionally tried to delay
  your project because Mr. Duffy told him to do it?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you believe that Mr. Hughen would have done it anyway, even without Mr. Duffy telling him to do it?
- 16 A. No.
- Q. So would it be fair to say then that the action that you believe -- the unlawful actions of Mr. Hughen
- 19 were done at the direction of Mr. Duffy? Correct?
- 20 A. I believe so.
- Q. And they would not have happened had Mr. Duffy not intervened himself?
- 23 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. Okay. You can't say one way or the other? Just
- 25 | answer --

A. Hold on a second. You're trying to pull this apart in little tiny bits, right, instead of the context of what actually happened. All right? He wasn't the only one delaying me. I mean, the whole department was doing this, and then later -- I mean, Joe Duffy was pissed off that I had talked to the FBI on more than one occasion, and he was also ticked off that I had gone to the board of supervisors.

- Q. Okay. Right. I think we're talking about Mr. Duffy's motivations for doing what you think he did, and so -- and I appreciate what you're saying about context, right, but I am trying to parse this out because that's what legally the case is about. It's about what individual did what, so I just want to finish this one little part of the questioning about Mr. Hughen, and I just want to make sure -- I think you just said this, that you believe that Mr. Hughen delayed your ADU application intentionally --
- A. Yes.

- Q. -- because Mr. Duffy told him to do that.
- A. Not just because, but -- I mean, it's kind of like cops. Right? Cops don't rat out other cops, right, so they're a wheel -- they're a unit. This is SF DBI. They all go to lunch together. They all golf together. So word gets around that office pretty quick about who to

obstruct and who not to, who to help and who to really screw over.

- Q. Okay. So do you think Mr. Hughen -- I'm really not following what you're saying. Let me try to ask it a different way. Other than your belief that Mr. Hughen was taking direction from Mr. Duffy to delay your project, do you have any other thoughts or facts to support that Mr. Hughen retaliated against you?
- A. Sure.

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- 10 Q. Okay. What are they?
- 11 A. That's what I've been trying to explain to you.

  12 He took the laws governing ADU's that go through planning

  13 and just tossed it aside.
- 14 Q. I get that, and I think --
- 15 A. I don't think you do.
  - Q. No, I don't think you're listening to me. I understand what you're saying about his interpretation of ADU regulations, and I think you've already told me that you don't know whether or not Mr. Hughen would have taken the positions he did absent the intervention of Mr. Duffy. Didn't you just say that? You don't know one way or the other what would have happened, right?
  - A. I know that once a rumor gets circulated in that building, specifically on the fourth floor, I think you're sunk. You're screwed.

Q. Okay. So do you have any information to support the notion that Mr. Hughen knew you were talking to the FBI?

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- Q. And why do you believe that?
- A. Well, because I told him several times that I did
  not rat out Bernie.
- Q. Okay. And other than that, do you have any other belief or basis to believe that Mr. Hughen was aware that you were interviewed by the FBI?
- 11 A. Sure.
- 12 Q. Okay. What else?

the hell was going on.

- 13 A. I kept telling him, you know --
- 14 Q. I'm saying other than what you were telling --
  - A. I told him if the FBI is asking questions you have to answer them. Otherwise, I go to jail, right? Who cares if Bernie goes to jail? I mean, he's the idiot that got himself caught, but all these people, Bernie was their friend. You see when they red-tagged me in May this was just days after Bernie got indicted. That was not coincidence. The FBI didn't think so. I didn't know what
  - Q. Okay. All right. Mr. Gallagher, I am just trying to get a simple question answered from you. Okay?

    And so the last question I asked you was do you have any

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     Mr. Hughen, that he was aware that you were speaking with
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- A. All right.
- Q. All right. So you interpreted that statement by
- 3 | Mr. Hernandez as Mr. Hughen knowing that you were talking
- 4 | with the FBI?

- 5 A. I believe the whole floor knew about it.
- 6 O. All right. Where do you believe Mr. Hughen
- 7 | worked at the time you were dealing with him? Not
- 8 | department but location.
- 9 A. On Van Ness.
- 10 | O. An address?
- 11 A. Whatever the address is over there. What is it,
- 12 | 55?
- 13 Q. I'm asking you.
- 14 A. I don't remember.
- 15 Q. Okay. All right. So -- okay. All right. So
- 16 | there's -- your belief that Mr. Hughen knew that you were
- 17 | speaking with the FBI is based on statements that you made
- 18 | to him personally and this one comment that Mr. Hernandez
- 19 | made to you at your property, correct?
- 20 A. Yeah, and I know how the rumor mill works in an
- 21 office building.
- 22 Q. And Mr. Hughen was not there when Mr. Hernandez
- 23 | made that statement to you?
- A. You know, a lot of people weren't at that
- 25 | building any longer. Everybody was working remotely, so

1 | everything was going through e-mail channels.

- Q. Mr. Hughen was not present when Mr. Hernandez made that statement to you that you just described?
- 4 A. At the house?
- 5 O. Correct.
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. He was not there?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay. All right. So how long, as far as a 10 period of time goes, did Mr. Hughen work on your project?
- 11 A. I'd say about -- he held it up for quite a while.
- 12 | About six months, I'd say.
- 13 Q. Okay. And that's an estimate, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And then you said that Mr. Hughen delayed and obstructed the approval of the permit?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And what specifically do you mean by that?
- 19 A. Under 95-17, okay, they have to ministerially --
- 20 | you know the word -- approve the application within
- 21 90 days, so they didn't even come close to that. I mean,
- 22 | they threw that rule right out the window.
- Q. And is that -- do you believe that they had
- 24 | 90 days to approve it because you believe that your
- 25 project involved a voluntary seismic retrofit?

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- Q. All right. Is that the only basis that you believe that the application should have been approved within 90 days for your ADU?
  - A. Because of the seismic retrofit?
- 6 0. Correct.
- 7 A. No.
- Q. What were the other bases that you believe the application should have been approved within 90 days?
  - A. Because it was a perfect spot for an ADU, and
    Mauricio had directed that I apply for an ADU, even though
    I didn't want an ADU, so I figured these guys must really
    want an ADU out there, but they didn't. They just wanted
    to screw me over --
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. -- good as they could.
- Q. All right. So other than -- so again, I'm just trying to understand what you're claiming in this lawsuit.

  I'm not trying to be difficult with you.
- 20 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. So you believe that Mr. Hughen intentionally obstructed and delayed the application at the direction of Mr. Duffy, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And that part of the -- and because he was

aware that you had discussed Mr. Curran with the FBI, 1 2 correct? 3 Α. Yes. 4 And that you also believe that by -- part of his 5 efforts to obstruct your application was that he did not comply with the 90-day approval requirement? 6 7 That was one of the things. Α. 8 O. Okay. 9 That was just one of the things. Α. Okay. All right. What are some of the other 10 Ο. 11 things? 12 Α. Well, the use of day law instead of 95-17. 13 Okay. All right. And then --Q. There's no such thing as "day law." 14 Α. 15 All right. And what else, other than -- okay. Ο. 16 So we've got that he didn't comply with the 90-day 17 requirement, that he used day law, which you believe is 18 not a thing, and then what else? 19 And then he wouldn't approve the parking -- the 20 off-street parking. 2.1 All right. O. 22 He kept calling it "illegal." 23 All right. Okay. Anything else that you believe 0. 24 that he did to unnecessarily delay your permit for -- with 25 planning?

1 It's all in the e-mails and in the complaint. 2 It's in there. Okay. All right. And so you also -- on 3 Ο. Exhibit 1 I'd like you to turn to page 12, and look at 4 5 paragraph 49. All right. The first sentence reads "In or 6 around October of 2021, approval of Plaintiff's 7 application for an additional dwelling unit was 8 transferred to Hughen, Senior Planner with the City's 9 Planning department. Hughen, and then Kwaitkowska, 10 Principal Planner with the City's Planning department, egregiously delayed the approval of the application for 11 12 months on end, forcing Plaintiff to jump over more 13 arbitrary hurdles. A process that should have taken a few weeks, took over seven months before Plaintiff's initial 14 application for the additional unit was approved in or 15 around May of 2022." 16 So my question is is October 2021 when you first 17 18 started working with Mr. Hughen? 19 Α. It could have been. 20 Okay. Well, do you disagree with what's written O. 2.1 in the complaint? 22 Α. No. 23 Okay. Do you have any reason to believe what's 0. 24 in the complaint is untrue? 25 Α. No.

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All right. So let me get back to the 1 Ο. Okay. 2 parking thing. When you purchased the property was there an existing driveway? 3 4 Α. Yes. 5 And where was the driveway located? O. 6 Α. On Naples. Okay. And was there a curb cut on the sidewalk? 7 Ο. 8 Α. There was. 9 When you purchased it? Ο. Yeah, but the neighbor had filled it in. 10 Α. 11 So when you purchased the property there was a Q. 12 curb cut? 13 Α. Yeah. And then the neighbor filled it in? 14 Q. 15 Α. Yeah. Which neighbor? 16 Q. The neighbor just down on Naples. 17 Α. 18 Okay. Q. 19 Α. Adjacent to the property. See, my property sits 20 like this, where all the other homes sit like this, and 21 I'm at the top of the --(Reporter admonition. 22 23 The record was read back.) 24 THE WITNESS: So this guy right here. /// 25

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- Q. The neighbor?
- 3 A. Right.
- Q. I'm sorry. You said "adjacent." Was he next door to you or across the street?
  - A. Next door.
  - Q. Okay. And so when did you become aware that the neighbor filled in your curb cut?
  - A. When I went back out there, when I got my guys together. I pulled an initial permit just to get started, went through plan check, and at that time I told the guy that "I don't know what we're going to need to do out here. I've just got to get started," so we started with just cabinets and drywall, and really all we were doing was dismantling the place, you know.
  - Q. Okay. So, it sounds like, what you're trying to say is once you began working at the property is when you became aware that there was no longer a curb cut on the sidewalk?
  - A. Right. I had purchased -- I had looked at the property in 2018, like on or about March, and I don't think we closed on it until, like, May.
- Q. And when did you come out to begin work at the property?
- 25 A. In May.

Okay. So sometime between -- according to you, 1 Ο. 2 sometime between March and May 2018 the curb cut was filled in by a neighbor? 3 4 Α. Right. 5 Okay. And why do you believe a neighbor did it? O. Because all the other neighbors told me he had 6 Α. 7 done it. 8 Ο. Okay. And -- okay. I think you are aware that -- you eventually worked with the Department of 9 Public Works about this issue, correct? 10 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. And did they tell you they had no evidence that 13 the curb cut existed? 14 Α. Yeah. They said they couldn't Google it. 15 Q. Okay. But they didn't say, "We have a permit that shows the curb cut being put in or removed"? 16 17 Α. No. 18 Q. Okay. 19 Α. Just keep in mind it was built in 1907. 20 The curb cut? Ο. 21 The house and the curb and the property, yes, Α. 1907. 22 Okay. You understand there's a difference 23 0. 24 between the property -- the house that's on the property 25 and the sidewalk, correct?

A. Yeah.

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- Q. Okay. And so are you saying that the sidewalk in front of 200 Naples was made in 1907?
- A. Well, whenever it was made it included the curb cut there.
  - Q. How do you know that?
- A. Well, I've got photos of it, but I got Kevin and
  Mauricio over there and explained to them "Look, this is
  where he filled it in," and so they both looked at it and
  they go "Yep, he sure did."
- Q. Okay. So my question is when do you believe that the curb cut was put into the sidewalk in front of
- 13 | 200 Naples?
- 14 A. Initially?
- 15 O. Yeah.
- 16 A. 1907.
- Q. So you think that curb cut existed from 1907 until whenever your neighbor removed it?
- 19 A. I know that there was a driveway there, you know.
  20 Maybe they didn't pour that sidewalk until 1915.
- 21 | 0. You're just making up dates now?
- 22 A. I don't know.
- Q. You don't know.
- A. Whenever they -- maybe there were no sidewalks back in 1907.

O. Sure.

- A. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. So you're not saying that the curb cut existed when the house was initially built?
  - A. I'm saying that was always a driveway from day one. Whether it was horse and buggy or automobiles, that was always the driveway.
- Q. Okay. You'd also agree that DPW has told you anyway that there's no evidence from the permitting perspective that that driveway ever existed?
- A. Right.
- Q. And so would you believe that it would be unreasonable for Mr. Hughen to rely on DBI if they gave him the same information -- I mean DPW? Let me ask that again. Would you think it would be unreasonable for Mr. Hughen to rely on DPW if they told him there's no evidence from a permitting perspective that a driveway ever existed at that location?
- A. You know, like I said, yeah, I think it would be unreasonable to go by that. I think he really would have to stretch to make that one work, so that would be the only house in the Excelsior that didn't have a driveway. Is that more plausible, or is it more plausible that the neighbor filled it in, it was always there, because they don't have a permit for it -- they probably don't have a

permit for any of the driveways out there.

- Q. So are you saying that it would have been reasonable for Mr. Hughen to hear that DPW had no evidence a driveway had ever been there?
  - A. No.

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- Q. And then -- hold on. I'm not done -- and then take additional steps to either confirm or dispel what they said? An example you just gave was historical research within the neighborhood itself. That would have been reasonable, in your opinion?
- A. I don't think it would have been reasonable unless he really wanted to screw me over.
- Q. Okay. All right.
  - A. But no, I don't think it's reasonable to assume that 200 Naples Street is the only property in the Excelsior that doesn't have a driveway or never did or whatever.
    - O. Right. That's what I'm getting at.
- 19 A. Right.
  - Q. And I think that -- I'm just trying to confirm what I think you're saying is that if Mr. Hughen got word from DBI -- excuse me, from DPW that no permit ever existed for a driveway where you said one existed, that he should have taken extra steps to look at the character of the neighborhood, and if he had done that he would have

learned that this is a unique property in that regard?

- A. I think it's unreasonable to assume that DPW would have paperwork like that.
  - Q. Okay.

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- A. If they have no paperwork for Naples, then supply all the permits for the rest of the homes on that street.

  If you're going to make the assumption that 200 Naples never had a driveway, "We don't have any paperwork on that," even after I sent him the pictures -- have you seen the photos?
- 11 Q. You never gave them to me.
- 12 A. Are you sure?
- 13 Q. I am.
  - A. All right. Yeah. I don't think it's reasonable to assume that would be the only property in the Excelsior that didn't have a driveway. I think that would be very unreasonable to assume that.
- Q. Right. No, no, I guess -- that's what I'm trying to understand from you.
- 20 A. Okay.
  - Q. That you believe that despite what Mr. Hughen may have learned from other departments within the City and County of San Francisco that he should have done his own research, and you believe if he had done that your permit would have been approved much faster, if he would have

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- A. I don't know about that.
- Q. That's what I'm trying to figure out.
- A. Well, I think he was -- his motivation was to delay it and obstruct it as much as he possibly could.
  - Q. Right. Putting that aside, right -- let's just assume for purposes of what we're talking about that there's no -- there is no Bernie Curran involved with this. There's no, you know, alleged personal animosity between you and anybody else at the City, that what you're saying is that Mr. Hughen should have done independent research to look into the validity of what other City departments were telling him, right?
    - A. If that's what they told him.
  - Q. Right. Okay.
  - A. But I don't think that's what happened.
  - Q. I'm not asking you about that. I'm just saying you believe that if he had done this extra research, he would have seen your point of view and approved the driveway cutout or the driveway parking permit much faster?
- A. If he'd have done any diligence whatsoever he would have approved it like he was supposed to.
- Q. Okay. And do you know what he actually did,
  Mr. Hughen?

He delayed and obstructed as much as he possibly 1 2 could until finally it got handed over to Natalia, and 3 then she delayed and obstructed as much as she possibly 4 could and made up her own laws. 5 Right. So -- but as far as, like, the specifics Ο. of what Mr. Hughen did with -- as it relates to your 6 7 permits, you don't know exactly what he was doing, other 8 than the communications that you had with him directly? 9 Like you don't have a bug in his office, right? 10 Α. No. 11 And you don't have a bug on his computer? 0. 12 No, but I did e-mail back and forth. Α. 13 Other than the communications that you had. Q. 14 That's what I just said. So other than what you've 15 communicated with him, you didn't know what Mr. Hughen was 16 doing at all --(Reporter admonition. 17 18 The record was read back.) 19 BY MR. SIMS: 20 -- the communications that you had with 2.1 Mr. Hughen, you didn't know what he was doing as it pertains to your project at all? 22 23 Yes, I did. Α. 24 Q. Okay. I mean, other than not approving it, not 25 doing --

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     we're not going by 95-17 anymore. We're using day law."
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         Q. All right. I think I understand what you're
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     saying. You also say in page -- on page 8 -- and I'll ask
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Santos concerning the apparent scheme that was perpetrated 1 2 against him." Paragraph 38 reads "At or around this time, the 3 4 City, namely Duffy, Birmingham, Hernandez, Hughen, and 5 Kwaitkowska, close associates with both Curran and Santos, became aware and/or were under the belief that Plaintiff 6 7 had discussions with the FBI concerning Curran and 8 Santos." So my question is -- I think we've covered why you believe they became aware that you had had discussions 9 with the FBI. My question is what facts do you have that 10 Mr. Hughen was close associates with Mr. Curran? 11 12 They all work in the same office. Α. 13 Q. Okay. Is that it? 14 Α. Yeah. 15 Ο. All right. Would that be true of 16 Ms. Kwaitkowska? Well, they all know each other. 17 Α. 18 It's just that they work together, correct? O. 19 Α. Yeah. 20 And that's the same for Mr. Hernandez, correct? Ο. 2.1 When I would talk to either Duffy or Birmingham Α. or Mauricio they would refer to Hughen and -- actually, 22 her name is Fossi now, but they would refer to them by 23

Q. Right. I guess what I'm asking -- these are

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2 going to get out of here until, like, 10:00 o'clock at

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- 4 A. Yeah. Well ...
- Q. So I'm trying to ask specific questions about allegations you've made in your complaint.
  - A. Right.
- Q. And I understand that you have reasons that you think certain things should have gone differently, but if you listen to what I'm asking, normally what I'm asking requires a yes-or-no answer. Okay? That's designed on purpose to make it go faster. All right? So I'm just telling you that because I think it might make it a lot
- 14 | easier if you just listen to what I'm asking. Okay?
- 15 A. Go ahead.
- Q. All right. Is your belief that Mr. Hernandez was a close associate of Mr. Curran -- it's just because they work together, correct?
- 19 A. Well, they knew each other.
  - Q. Because they work together?
  - A. Yeah.
- 22 Q. Okay. And that's it, right?
- 23 A. I don't know. How am I supposed to know that?
- Q. That's exactly what I'm -- I just need to answer this question. All right? Would that be true with

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1 Mr. Birmingham, that your belief that they -- he is a

- 2 | close associate with Mr. Curran is because they work
- 3 | together?
- 4 A. He refers to both of them by name.
- 5 Q. So is that a "yes"?
- 6 A. I don't know.
- 7 Q. You don't know? Okay.
- 8 A. No. Do they golf together? I don't know.
- 9 Q. Great. Mr. Duffy, same question. Is your belief
- 10 | that Mr. Duffy is a close associate with Mr. Curran based
- 11 on the fact that they work together?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. All right. And just to reiterate the
- 14 | point that you just made, you don't know anything about
- 15 | the personal relationship, if one even exists, between
- 16 | Mr. Duffy and Mr. Curran and Mr. Birmingham and Mr. Curran
- 17 | and so on and so forth?
- 18 A. That's not entirely true.
- 19 Q. Okay. Do you have information that they have a
- 20 | relationship beyond a working relationship as colleagues?
- 21 A. Well, I came across some information last night
- 22 | that a Margaret Duffy resided at 27 Escondido Avenue in
- 23 | San Francisco.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. That's Bernie's house.

- 1 Q. Okay. So what?
- 2 A. Oh, no. Margaret Duffy, not Margaret Curran.
- 3 | Margaret Duffy resided -- I don't know who Margaret Duffy
- 4 | is, but she resided at Bernie's house.
- 5 Q. Margaret Duffy resides at Bernie's house?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. At Bernie Curran's house, or did.
- 9 Q. All right.
- 10 A. So who's Margaret Duffy?
- 11 Q. I don't know.
- 12 A. I don't either.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. That's what I'm trying to find out.
- Q. All right. So you think it's suspicious that
- 16 Mr. Duffy and this other Duffy -- that Margaret Duffy used
- 17 | to live or lives with Mr. Curran?
- 18 A. What I think is that -- I think Bernie and Joe
- 19 | and Kevin are all friends, but not just because they work
- 20 together.
- 21 0. Okay.
- 22 A. I don't know if they all play golf together or go
- 23 | canoeing. I don't know what they do, but I think they're
- 24 | tighter than just work friends.
- 25 Q. Why?

- 1 A. I just do.
- Q. You can't express it?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Do you have any documents supporting what
- 5 | you just said?
- A. I have a document showing Margaret Duffy residing
- 7 | at Bernie's house.
- 8 Q. Right. But you don't know who she is, right?
- 9 A. I don't know who she is.
- 10 Q. Okay. All right. Okay. If I can get through
- 11 | this a little faster I will do that. Ms. Kwaitkowska, she
- 12 | took over the review of your ADU permit, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And I think you said that Mr. Hughen was working
- 15 on this -- your permit for about seven months, or was that
- 16 | how long it took for the permit to be approved?
- 17 A. No, it took -- it took longer than seven months.
- 18 O. Okay. Well, when did Ms. Kwaitkowska begin
- 19 | working on your permit review?
- 20 A. I don't know. Hughen disappeared, and I was
- 21 | informed that she was taking over.
- 22 | Q. Okay. But you can't tell me when that happened?
- 23 A. I'd have to go back through my notes.
- 24 Q. All right. And would it be fair to say that, at
- 25 | least in your mind, Ms. Kwaitkowska continued the

misconduct that you described as it pertained to 1 2 Mr. Hughen? 3 Α. Even worse. Okay. And would it be fair to say that you 4 Ο. 5 believe that she was doing that at the direction of Mr. Duffy? 6 7 No. I think she was doing that at the direction Α. 8 of Will Hughen. 9 Okay. So do you believe that Mr. Hughen Ο. 10 continued to work at the planning department after he was taken off your case? 11 I believe so, and, you know, there was another 12 Α. 13 thing that he did that wasn't mentioned in the complaint.

Q. Okay.

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- A. He rezoned my house.
- 16 Q. Okay. What did he rezone it from?
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- 22 | ridiculous.
- Q. Okay. All right. Let's concentrate on
- 24 Ms. Kwaitkowska.
- 25 A. Okay.

Q. So do you believe that she did the actions that you believe she did at the direction of Mr. Duffy?

A. Mr. Hughen.

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- Q. Mr. Hughen? Okay. And do you -- and that's because you believe that Mr. Hughen was her superior at the planning department?
  - A. I don't know about that.
    - Q. Okay. And is it your belief that Mr. Hughen was taking those actions because of the reasons you already stated, that Mr. Duffy told him to do it and that he was aware that you were speaking with Mr. Curran -- I mean, with the FBI?
    - A. Or that the whole office was aware.
- 14 Q. Uh-huh. Okay.
- 15 | A. You know, the rumor mill.
- Q. Okay. And that assertion is just based on your general belief that people who work together talk, right?
- 19 A. Yeah.
- 20 0. Okay.
- A. Well, there's no other way to put any reason to
  what these people were doing. Nothing they were doing was
  either legal or reasonable.
- MR. SIMS: Okay. I'm going to start with these.

  Let's mark this as two.

1 (Deposition Exhibit Number 2 2 was marked for identification.) BY MR. SIMS: 3 4 Okay. Mr. Gallagher, do you recognize the 0. 5 document that's in front of you that's been marked Exhibit 2? 6 7 Α. Yes. 8 O. And what is it? 9 It's the very first permit, I believe, that I Α. 10 pulled. 11 Q. For renovation to 200 Naples? 12 Α. Yes. All right. Do you see handwriting on this 13 Q. document, the first page of the document? 14 15 Α. Yes. 16 Ο. Is any of that your handwriting? 17 About half of it. Α. 18 Okay. On the first page at the bottom right-hand O. 19 corner is a signature. Do you see that, sir? 20 Α. Yes. 2.1 Is that your signature? O. 22 Α. Yes. 23 Okay. Now, do you see the entry 14 where it says Ο. 24 "General Contractor"? 25 Α. No.

It's in about the middle of the page on the 1 Ο. 2 left-hand side. No, I see where it says "Owner Builder." 3 4 But above that it says "General Contractor," O. 5 correct? 6 Α. I don't know. I'd have to get my glasses. Is it 7 small or -- where are you seeing this? 8 0. Right above where -- well, did you write "Owner Builder"? 9 10 Α. Yeah. 11 Okay. And below that it says "Owner," Q. 12 GCBlockInvestment.com, with a PO box in Byron, California. 13 Do you see that? 14 Α. Right.

- Q. And there's a phone number next to that, and is that your phone number?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Did you write what I just read out?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Is that your handwriting?
- 21 A. Yes. I don't see where it said "Contractor,"
- 22 | though.
- 23 Q. Well, okay. It doesn't really matter.
- A. It says "to be constructed." Oh, "General
- 25 | Contractor, " number 14. So yeah, I filled in where it

1 says "General Contractor." I filled in "Owner Builder."

- Q. Right.
- 3 A. Okay.

- Q. And you understand that the rules and responsibilities of acting as an owner-builder in the City and County of San Francisco, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And you understand that as the owner-builder you absorbed the liability associated with the work that you were performing at your residence, correct?
- 11 A. Absorbed the liability?
- 12 Q. Of the work that is going on at your property.
- 13 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. On the last page of Exhibit 2 you signed an acknowledgment of the rules and responsibilities associated with acting as an owner-builder, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, for this particular permit it says that it was submitted -- well, it doesn't say when it was
- 20 submitted. No. It says it was issued on August 10th,
- 21 | 2018. Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And then it was for -- the description is -- could you just read that out loud.
- 25 A. "Kitchen & bath cabinets, paint, drywall,

flooring and to comply with violation notice 201721241." 1

- 2 Q. Okay. And the stamp on the top indicates that
- 3 the permit was approved in August 2013 -- excuse me, 2018.
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- Okay. Let me ask you this. Did you begin 6 O. 7 construction work at 200 Naples prior to the issuance of this -- to the approval of this permit?
- 9 I don't believe so, no.
- 10 Okay. It appears to me that -- well, that part Q. 11 of this permit is to comply with an NOV that you just read 12 the number out for, correct?
  - Well, there were more than that. If you look at the top, she's got 2016 up there, and then she's got another one, 2017, and then another one, 2017 -- so she's got the 2017, and she's got another one from 2016, so there's two that we're trying to comply with.
    - Ο. Okay.
- 19 So yeah, there's two. On this particular permit 20 there are two.
  - All right. And it would be fair to say that the O. NOV's -- at least the number indicated in this permit application, that those NOV's pre-dated your ownership of 200 Naples?
- 25 Α. Yes.

And you understood when you purchased the 1 2 property that you would be responsible for abating those NOV's that you inherited? 3 4 Not at the time I purchased it. 5 O. Okay. At the time I went and pulled the permit, that's 6 Α. 7 when those come up. 8 Ο. Right. 9 Α. Right. 10 Ο. Okay. So any outstanding abatements, NOV's, come up 11 Α. 12 when you go to pull a permit. 13 Q. Okay. And those have to be paid for at the time you're 14 pulling the permit, so yeah, that's --15 16 Ο. So are you saying that the first you learned that 200 Naples had NOV's on it when you purchased it was when 17 18 you applied for the permit in Exhibit 2? 19 Α. Yes. 20 MR. SIMS: Okay. And let's just -- this is Exhibit 3. 2.1 22 (Deposition Exhibit Number 3 23 was marked for identification.) 24 BY MR. SIMS: 25 Q. That's the NOV that is referenced in Exhibit 2,

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     correct?
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              Yes.
              Okay. And this is the NOV 201721241 that you
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     sought to abate through the permit that's identified as
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     Exhibit 2, correct?
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              Yes.
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              Okay. And I think this next exhibit -- oh,
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             Going back to Exhibit 2, I don't think you ever
     answered my question, but at the bottom right-hand corner
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     that's your signature, correct, on the first page?
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              MR. SIMS: Okay. Now Exhibit 4.
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              Now, Mr. Gallagher, you recognize Exhibit 4,
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     day as the permit in Exhibit 2, correct?
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     permit as well, right?
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- 1 | this permit.
- 2 A. "Reroof & gutters and to comply with violation
- 3 | 201644272."
- 4 Q. Okay. So on August 10th, 2018, you go into DBI
- 5 | and pull -- did you personally pull these two permits?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And did you have what -- you know, a build
- 8 | team or a design team at that time?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. All right. And who were part of that design team
- 11 | or build team?
- 12 A. Bill Manfredi, I think.
- 13 Q. Okay. And what did Mr. Manfredi do for you?
- 14 A. He designed 200 Naples.
- 15 Q. He was an architect?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. Did you have anybody else on your team at
- 18 | that time?
- 19 A. I had two guys, I believe. I don't know if we
- 20 | had started working on it yet, but I had two guys lined
- 21 | up.
- 22 Q. What type of guys?
- 23 A. Carpenters.
- Q. Okay. And what were their names?
- 25 A. I don't remember. I'd have to go back through my

1 notes.

- Q. Okay. Other than an architect and two carpenters, that was -- that was the core group?
- A. Yes.
  - Q. All right. And so let me ask you this. Why -- and I think I've got it on my desk, but the 2016 NOV that is -- that is referenced in Exhibit 4, the permit application, did they want you to have a separate permit to deal with each NOV?
- 10 A. No.
  - Q. Okay. So why did you pull two separate permits?
  - A. Well, San Francisco does it kind of goofy. They go a long way around the barn. Normally when you go remodel a house or build a house or whatever, right, you go pull a permit, and if it needs electrical, then you add the electrical. If it needs plumbing, then you add the plumbing to it, but San Francisco, you go pull a general improvement permit, and then you have to go pull a roofing permit.

Then you have to pull a separate permit for windows. Then you have to pull a separate permit for the plumbing. Then you have to pull a separate permit for the electrical, and if there's something you need to do on the sidewalk, you have to go pull a separate permit for that, and then after getting the permit for the driveway, then

you have to go get another permit for right-of-way. 1 It's 2 nuts. 3 0. Okay. 4 Α. It's nuts. 5 So just to get a clear answer, it's your O. 6 understanding that you pulled two permits because they 7 were required by the department? 8 Α. Right. 9 Okay. All right. And at least -- so viewing Ο. 10 them together, your intention as far as work to be done at the house was to -- Exhibit 2 says "kitchen & bath 11 12 cabinets, paint, drywall, flooring." Does that mean that 13 you're going to install new kitchen and bath cabinets --14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. -- and paint the house and redo the drywall? 16 Α. Yes. 17 And replace the flooring? Q. 18 Α. Yes. 19 O. Okay. And then looking at Exhibit 4, you were 20 also going to put a new roof on the house and replace the 21 qutters? 22 Α. Yes. 23 Now, I think you talked about earlier your 24 intention for what the house would look like at the end as 25 far as redoing -- I think you said "soup to nuts."

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. Now, when you said "soup to nuts," is all
- 3 | the work that you had, in your mind, covered in these two
- 4 permits?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Okay. And why not?
- 7 A. Like I said, you've got to pull a separate permit
- 8 | for the plumbing. You've got to pull a separate permit
- 9 | for the electrical. You've got to pull a separate permit
- 10 | for everything.
- 11 Q. Did you do that?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. On August 10th?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay. Why did you wait?
- 16 A. Because my architect was still drawing the
- 17 | house.
- 18 | O. I see.
- 19 A. We were going to add dormers.
- 20 Q. Okay. All right. And the plans had not been
- 21 | completed for that yet?
- 22 A. They -- well, yes and no.
- 23 O. Okay.
- A. What they do is you submit the plans and they
- 25 | don't just approve them. Okay? They make comments on

them, so then you have to address the comments, and then
they'll send it to the next station, and then those guys
make more comments, and then you've got to address those
comments, and then it goes to another station, so if I'm
in Martinez I take the plans in. They look at them. They
stamp. You're done. That's not how San Francisco does

- Q. Yeah. My question is -- it sounds like you didn't do that for everything on the 10th of August in 2018.
- 11 A. No. I didn't know what I was going to need to do 12 at that time.
  - Q. That's all I want to hear.
- 14 A. Okay.

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- Q. Okay. So, it seems like, you can't remember whether or not you began work at the property before August 10th, 2018, correct?
  - A. Well, as far as construction, no. I'm pretty sure there was no construction being done, but some of these NOV's, like one is really expensive. It's a \$3,000 abatement order, and that's because the backyard was full of garbage. Then the other one, from 2016, was a very simple one. It was actually for a broken gutter, easy enough to fix. So as far as that stuff goes, we might have been -- you've got to get a dumpster out there, you

1 know, which is difficult. 2 Q. Okay. So we might have started cleaning up the place. 3 MR. SIMS: All right. Okay. So let's do next in 4 5 order here. 6 (Deposition Exhibit Number 5 7 was marked for identification.) 8 THE WITNESS: And it was also different before 9 COVID. 10 BY MR. SIMS: 11 All right. Now, Mr. Gallagher, I think before we Q. 12 marked this exhibit, whether or not you began working, you 13 know, at the property or actually doing construction work before the initial round of permits were issued or 14 submitted by you, it would be fair to say that the 15 16 construction work began certainly after the permits were 17 approved by the building department in August of 2018, 18 correct? 19 Α. Yes. 20 Okay. Now, Exhibit 5 is a notice of violation Ο. 2.1 dated October 3rd, 2018. Do you see that, sir? 22 Α. Yep. 23 Do you recognize this? Ο. 24 Α. Yes. 25 Q. And do you recognize it as an NOV that you

1 received regarding work at 200 Naples? 2 Α. That's hard to answer. I believe so. 3 Q. Okay. And do you see the contact inspector at the bottom? 4 5 Α. Yes. 6 Ο. And who is that? 7 Α. Phil Saunders. 8 Q. And what it says -- as far as the violation 9 descriptions go, it says that additional work permit 10 required; is that right? 11 Α. Yes. 12 And that it's -- it was deemed to be an unsafe Q. 13 building by Inspector Saunders, S-a-u-n-d-e-r-s? That's 14 what the NOV says, correct? Not that I know of. Where's it say that? 15 Α. 16 Q. Do you see "Violation Description"? 17 Α. Yeah, I see it now. 18 It says "Unsafe Building," right? Ο. 19 Α. That's what he said, yeah. 20 Right. That's what the NOV says? Ο. 2.1 Right. Α. 22 O. All right. So let me ask you this. It says 23 "Owner/Agent," Francis Lau. Do you see that? 24 Α. Yeah. 25 Q. And an address in Daly City, correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And then it also says "Person Contacted at Site,"
- 3 | and then it says "Lau Francis." Do you see that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Do you know who Francis Lau is?

bought the place from.

- A. I believe -- I don't know for a fact, but I
  believe he was the previous owner. I think he's the guy I
- 9 Q. Okay. But this NOV is dated October 3rd, 2018, 10 correct?
- 11 A. Yes.

- 12 Q. And that was after you purchased the property?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Well, I guess what I'm getting at is that

  Mr. Lau wasn't -- Francis Lau was not involved with the
- 16 | construction at the property at that time?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Okay. So then getting further down under "Unsafe
- 19 | Building" it says -- well, I'll read it. "Site
- 20 | investigation revealed that building has been gutted and
- 21 | construction in progress of multiple dormers without
- 22 | proper permits and inspections. Work beyond scope of
- 23 | PA201808107075, 201808107063 and does not have Planning
- 24 | Department approval."
- 25 A. Actually, I did. He was incorrect about that.

Q. "Debris pile in backyard is leaning on neighbor's building." Did I read that accurately?

- A. Yeah. He made all kinds of accusations.
- Q. Okay. So you talked about your intention was to install the dormers or include the dormers in your project in August of 2018 when you initially went for these permits but that the drawings had not yet been completed
- 9 A. No, they had been completed. They were being 10 commented on.
- 11 Q. Okay.

or something like that?

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- 12 A. They were at the building department. The plans 13 were. The plans were in the works.
- Q. What permit number or application did that exist on?
- A. It was another 2018 permit. I believe it was 6049, the last letters -- numbers.
- Q. Okay. And what you're saying is that you applied for that permit -- for the permit pertaining to the dormers sometime after August 10th, 2018, but before August 3rd, 2018?
- 22 A. I believe in September.
- 23 Q. Okay. So yes --
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. -- is the answer to that question? All right.

But you would also agree that that permit had not yet been approved at the time this NOV was issued?

- A. No, but I had three others that had been approved.
- Q. So my question is when the NOV shown in Exhibit 5 was issued on October 3rd, 2018, you did not have an approved permit for the dormers?
  - A. I had a roofing permit.
- 9 Q. Okay.

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- 10 A. But approval for the dormers, no.
- Q. Okay. All right. So you don't contest the fact that Mr. Saunders showed that you were -- quote,
- 13 "construction in progress of multiple dormers without 14 proper permits"? That was true, correct?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. And that the work that you were doing at the property at that time was beyond the scope of the permits that we have attached as Exhibits 2 and 4, correct?
  - A. No, not necessarily.
- Q. Well, does the word "dormer" appear in permit
  application -- the permit application that was marked as
  Exhibit 2?
- A. No, but I had already gone through planning for the dormers.

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              Does the word "dormers" appear in the permit
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     application for what's been marked as Exhibit 4?
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              Okay. And I think what you were about to say is
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     that you thought it was okay to proceed on a permit that,
     I guess, was pending in planning at the time?
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              Okay. And is it your belief as a construction
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     professional and veteran of the construction industry that
     it is okay to do work on a permit that has been submitted
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     for approval but not yet approved?
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              -- professional to work without an approved
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              And there's another term for it called "design
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1 BY MR. SIMS:

- Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Gallagher, you have in front of you a document that's been marked as Exhibit 6. Do you
- 4 recognize this document?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Is this a permit that you submitted for approval from DBI pertaining to your work at 200 Naples?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And let me ask you this. Generally speaking,
  10 were you the one personally submitting permit applications
  11 pertaining to 200 Naples?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And did anyone assist you in that?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Who?
- 16 A. Patrick O'Riordan.
- Q. Oh, I'm sorry. Not internal DBI people but part of your team in the submission of the applications.
- 19 A. No.
- Q. So you would be the one that would fill them out and then put -- give them to DBI?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. And I think you'll notice a pattern in these questions, but you see your handwriting on Exhibit 6, correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. You signed it in the bottom right-hand corner, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. And for the description of the work that you're seeking the permit for, could you just read that out, please.
- A. Yeah. I didn't write all of it. Like I said,
  Patrick O'Riordan wrote some of it. "Remove," something,
  "Dormers add 2 to each side, Structural strengthening
  include removing & replacing the 2nd floor framing, Demo
  existing laundry."
- Q. Okay. Let me ask you this. Who's -- is that your writing?
- 15 A. Not all of it, no.
- 16 Q. What part is not your writing?
- A. The part in the middle, structural strengthening include remove and replacing floor framing, that's not mine.
- Q. Okay. But you wrote "Demo existing laundry" --
- 21 A. Yeah.
- 22 | O. -- "2nd floor"?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And you wrote "Remove one" -- "Remove dormers,
- 25 | add 2 to" --

- 1 A. Each side.
- 2 | Q. -- "each side"?
- 3 A. "Remove 1 dormer," I think is what it says.
- 4 Q. All right.
- 5 A. Yeah, that rings a bell.
- 6 0. Okay.
- 7 A. Because there was a funky one up there that they
- 8 | had over the stairs.
- 9 Q. So you could also agree that above the portion
- 10 | that you just read, the purpose of this permit, Exhibit 6,
- 11 | was to comply with the NOV that we talked about in
- 12 | Exhibit 5?
- 13 A. Yeah. It says that on here.
- Q. And just for the record, that NOV in Exhibit 5 is
- 15 | 201895477?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. Okay. So is this -- is Exhibit 6 the permit that
- 18 | you were talking about for the dormers?
- 19 A. Yeah.
- 20 O. Okay. And so the date filed on that is
- 21 October 25, 2018, correct?
- 22 A. Date filed? Yeah, I guess so.
- 23 Q. Okay. All right.
- 24 THE DEPOSITION REPORTER: Counsel, can you let me
- 25 | know when it's a good time for a break.

1 MR. SIMS: We can do now. 2 (Recess was taken. Deposition Exhibit Numbers 7 through 9 3 were marked for identification. 4 5 The record was read back.) BY MR. SIMS: 6 7 Ο. All right. Mr. Gallagher, we just marked some 8 exhibits here, seven, eight and nine. Could you look at Exhibit 7. 9 10 Α. Uh-huh, yes. 11 Do you recognize that document? Q. 12 Α. Yes. 13 Q. That is an NOV that you received pertaining to your work at 200 Naples, correct? 14 Α. 15 Yes. 16 Q. And it is issued to your trust, correct? 17 Α. Yes. 18 And the violation description says you are Ο. 19 working on an expired or cancelled -- well, "Expired" is checked -- cancelled permit. 2.0 2.1 (Reporter clarification. 22 The record was read back.) 23 MR. SIMS: Let me strike that. 24 Q. The violation description is for a cancelled 25 permit, correct?

- A. Expired permit.
- Q. You're right. I'm sorry. I'm not reading very
- 3 | good right now. So violation description is for an
- 4 | expired permit, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.

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- 6 Q. Okay. And so the inspector on this NOV is
- 7 Mr. Keane, Thomas Keane?
- 8 A. Okay.
  - Q. Do you see that at the bottom?
- 10 A. No, but I believe you.
- 11 Q. Okay. And just for the record, this is NOV
- 12 | number 202175602, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And it's issued on May 17th, 2021?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And so the nature of the violation says
- 17 | "Research in response to a complaint for the above address
- 18 | has revealed that PA 201810183586 has expired without
- 19 | obtaining all the necessary sign offs to complete the
- 20 | permit." Did I read that correctly?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. Now I would ask you to look at what has
- 23 been marked as Exhibit -- this one here. So that's six,
- 24 | which I believe is the permit application referenced in
- 25 | the NOV in number seven. Is that true?

- 1 A. It appears to be.
- Q. Okay. And so do you dispute the validity of the
- 3 | allegations contained in the NOV that's marked as
- 4 Exhibit 7?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And in what way, sir?
- 7 A. It hadn't expired. It was completed.
- Q. Okay. Had the necessary sign-offs been obtained?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And, I believe -- are you referring to -- you
- 11 | made mention earlier of a CFC from Mr. Curran that you
- 12 | had?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And that you believed that that was -- that would
- 15 | negate the NOV in Exhibit 7?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. Do you recall getting this NOV?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And do you recall Mr. Keane coming to your
- 20 | house -- to your property?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Were you not there?
- A. Nobody was there.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. Nobody had been working on it since August. It

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was in escrow at the time.
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              Okay. So Mr. Gallagher, Exhibit 10, is that the
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     certificate of final completion that you were referencing
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     just a moment ago?
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              And so you received -- did Mr. Curran give this
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     a final completion of the work?
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              Okay. And would -- the permit application number
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     here is 201810183586. Do you see that?
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- Q. Now, did you ever learn why building inspection said that this particular document, Exhibit 10, was no good?
- 5 A. Yeah. Joe Duffy said it never got filed 6 correctly.
- 7 Q. Okay. And did he say why?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay. Did he ever tell you that the permit
  10 application indicated in Exhibit 10 expired prior to the
  11 date Mr. Curran authored this document?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Did you ever show this to anyone at DBI?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Who did you show it to?
- 16 A. Everybody.
- 17 Q. Anybody?
- A. Everybody that had anything to do with it. I showed it to Kevin, Mauricio, Joe Duffy. I showed it to
- 20 | Keane. There was one other guy.
- Q. Okay, okay. And then if you look at Exhibit 8, do you recognize that document?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Okay. You would agree that this is a notice of violation, correct?

- 1 A. It appears to be.
- Q. Okay. And the number in the top right corner is
- 3 | 202175602. Do you see that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And the date is June 8th, 2021, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And if you look at the second page, the
- 8 | contact inspector is Mauricio Hernandez; is that true?
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. Okay. And so this particular NOV is to amend the
- 11 | NOV that we discussed in Exhibit 7, correct, that was
- 12 | issued on May 17th, 2021?
- 13 A. The one for expired permit?
- 14 Q. Correct.
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And it references a site visit on
- 17 | June 3rd, 2021, and -- to identify the following
- 18 deviations from approved PA 201810183586 and approved
- 19 plans. Do you see that?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- 21 | O. And that PA number is the same PA number that is
- 22 | indicated in Exhibit 10, right?
- 23 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. And so do you recall a site visit on --
- 25 A. Yes.

1 -- June 3rd? Do you recall Mr. Hernandez being 0. 2 present at that site visit? 3 Α. Yes. Was there any other employees from the City and 4 O. 5 County of San Francisco during that site visit? I believe Kevin was there. 6 Α. 7 O. Mr. Birmingham? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Okay. Anybody else? O. 10 Α. No. Okay. How long did that site visit last for? 11 Q. 12 About an hour. Α. 13 Okay. And, I'm assuming, you were also there, Q. right? 14 15 Α. Yes. And was there anyone else there that was working 16 Ο. on your behalf or on the behalf of your trust? 17 18 Α. No. 19 O. Okay. So would it be fair to say it was just the 20 three of you? 21 Α. Yes. All right. And you mentioned earlier a statement 22 O. 23 that Mr. Hernandez made about something like -- something 24 to the effect of like "We know who you've been talking 25 to"?

1 A. Exactly.

- Q. Okay. Is that -- was that statement made during this meeting?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And so did -- was there a discussion at that time about Exhibit 10?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And what do you recall in that regard?
- 9 A. They said it never got filed.
- 10 Q. Okay. And when you say "they" who do you mean?
- 11 A. Kevin and Mauricio.
- 12 Q. They both said it?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 Q. Okay. And --
- A. Well, Kevin didn't. He was -- he stayed silent the whole time. So Kevin didn't really say anything at
- 17 | that meeting.
- 18 | O. But Mr. Hernandez did?
- 19 A. Mr. Hernandez did.
- Q. And he was the one that explained to you that this certificate of final completion never got filed?
- 22 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. And did Mr. Hernandez explain to you that
- 24 | because it was never filed, as far as the building
- 25 | department was concerned, it didn't exist?

Α. Exactly.

Q. Okay. And so you had been working with

3 Mr. Curran for some time on your construction project,

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- Α. Yes.
- And did you come in contact with Mr. Curran after 6 O. 7 the first NOV that we discussed that Mr. Saunders gave
- 8 you?
- 9 Α. No.
- When --10 O.
- 11 Α. Oh, wait. Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 Α. Yes, I did.
- And you reached out to Mr. Curran because he was 14 Q. 15 the senior district inspector for your area?
- No. He just showed up on site. 16 Α.
- 17 Okay. Q.
- 18 I was complaining -- do you want to know all Α. 19 this, or do you just want me to answer your questions?
- 20 So you were about to say you were complaining to O. 2.1 someone. Who were you complaining to?
- I was complaining to Patrick O'Riordan. 22 Α.
- 23 And I think I have some e-mails, but you were 0. 24 telling Mr. O'Riordan that you thought Mr. Saunders was --

25 not in these words, but being a bit unreasonable with his

1 enforcement efforts? 2 Α. Yes. Okay. And it was at that time that Mr. Curran 3 Ο. 4 became involved in your property? 5 Yes. Α. 6 O. And Mr. Curran gave you advice as to how to 7 navigate the issues that were arising at your property, 8 correct? 9 He said I had to pull a structural -- I had to Α. 10 hire a structural engineer. 11 Okay. And he recommended Mr. Rodrigo Santos? Q. 12 Α. Yes. 13 Okay. Did you ever -- did you ever bribe 0. Mr. Curran? 14 Not knowingly. 15 Α. 16 Ο. Okay. What do you mean by that? 17 Well, at first I was -- I had completely Α. 18 disagreed with Bernie on the structural engineer thing. Ι 19 told him "I already have an architect. According to 20 California Building Code, I don't need a structural 21 engineer until we're over three stories, so according to 22 California Building Code, I do not need a structural 23 engineer, and he kept insisting "You have to hire a

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structural engineer or your permit's going nowhere, and

this is the guy you need to call," and he went to his car,

1 | got Rodrigo Santos's card, Santos & Urrutia.

- 2 (Reporter clarification.)
- THE WITNESS: Yeah. He said, "Call this guy.
- 4 | He'll smooth out all the bumps and, you know, we'll get
- 5 you going. It will be smooth sailing, " so when I first
- 6 talked to Rodrigo they needed 3,000 up front in cash.
- 7 BY MR. SIMS:
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. And then over the course of the next six months
- 10 he just kept hitting me up for more and more money.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. And so then I fired him after six or
- 13 | seven months.
- 14 Q. When did you fire Mr. Santos?
- 15 A. You're asking me to guess. It was about six or
- 16 | seven months into the project. Maybe even seven months
- 17 | after I had hired him.
- 18 O. The first NOV I think we talked about
- 19 Mr. Saunders issued was -- that was dated October 2018,
- 20 | right?
- 21 A. Yeah, I think you're right.
- 22 Q. So Mr. Curran gets involved sometime after
- 23 | October 2018, right?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. And then he makes a recommendation for

1 Mr. Santos, who you then retain and then fire, it sounds

- 2 | like, within -- probably early 2019?
- 3 A. Probably, like, May of 2018.
- 4 Q. Okay. All right. And so when you say you didn't
- 5 | knowingly bribe Mr. Curran, is that what you're talking
- 6 | about, that you felt like it was a bribe to Mr. Curran to
- 7 | retain Mr. Santos?
- 8 A. Well, yeah.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. I mean, 3,000 cash up front.
- 11 Q. Right. Is that all you mean by that?
- 12 A. No. I had to keep giving him money the whole
- 13 | time, and I wasn't getting anything for it.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. I never got a completed set of drawings.
- 16 Q. All right. And are you aware that Mr. Santos
- 17 | does not work for the City and County of San Francisco?
- 18 A. Yes, I'm aware of that.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. I'm aware that he did.
- 21 Q. Well, what do you mean by that?
- 22 A. He worked for the building department. He
- 23 | retired from the building department and went into
- 24 business with Albert Urrutia.
- 25 Q. Okay. So I don't think that's right. He was on

a committee associated with the building department, but 1 2 he was never employed by the City and County, but that's just what you've heard? 3 4 Α. Yeah. 5 Okay. All right. Have you ever made a donation O. to Golden Gate Youth Rugby? 6 7 Α. No. 8 Ο. When were -- you said several times today that 9 you had been contacted -- were contacted or reached out to 10 the FBI. I can't remember which one it was. Did the FBI 11 contact you, or did you contact the FBI? 12 At first the FBI had contacted me. Α. 13 Ο. And how did they do that? 14 Α. I'm not sure. I guess they went through Rodrigo

- and Albert's records.

  Q. Okay. I mean more like did they call you? Did
- 16 Q. Okay. I mean more like did they call you? Did
  17 they e-mail you?
- 18 A. Yeah, they called me.
- Q. Okay. And do you remember the name of the person that called you?
- 21 A. Allie Lopez.
- 22 (Cell phone interruption.)
- 23 | BY MR. SIMS:
- Q. And did Ms. Lopez identify herself?
- 25 A. Yes.

And who did she say she was? 1 Ο. 2 Α. FBI. 3 Ο. Okay. Did she say she was an agent? 4 Special agent. Α. 5 Okay. And what specifically did she say to O. 6 you --7 Well, she asked --Α. 8 Ο. -- as far as why she was calling? 9 She asked me if I had hired Santos & Urrutia, and 10 I said yes, and then she asked regarding the 200 Naples Street, and I said yes. She said, "How's that going?" I 11 12 said, "I just got a red tag stuck on my door for expired permit, and I can't figure out what the hell's going on 13 14 here, and then she explained to me what was going on. That's when she had mentioned that Bernie had just been 15 16 indicted and that the red tag was not a coincidence. 17 Q. Okay. So when you say the building was 18 red-tagged --19 Α. Yeah. 20 -- are you referring to the NOV that has been marked as Exhibit 8? 2.1 22 Α. Yeah. Okay. And so is it your recollection that the 23 24 conversation you had with Agent Lopez occurred shortly

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after June 8, 2021?

- A. I don't know about after.
- Q. Well, if she's talking about the -- you have a specific memory of her discussing the red tag with you?
  - A. Yeah.

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- Q. And you have a specific memory of her telling you that it's not a coincidence that the building had been red-tagged, right?
  - A. Right.
- 9 Q. And so I'm just -- logically it would mean that 10 the red tag had already happened?
- 11 A. Well, let me see which one this is. No, no. No.
- 12 Q. It could be --
- 13 A. I got red-tagged the first time in May of '21.
- 14 Q. Okay.
  - A. And that was just within days of when Bernie had been indicted, and then Mauricio and Kevin came out and wrote up a secondary one to amend the first one, right?
- 18 O. Right.
- A. Okay. And that was in June, so in between May and June is when I spoke to Allie Lopez.
- 21 | O. All right. Between May and June 2021?
- 22 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. So this conversation that you had with
  Agent Lopez occurred at some point between the NOV that
- 25 | was marked as Exhibit 7, I believe --

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. -- and the NOV that has been marked as Exhibit 8?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. Okay. And just so we're all clear on our dates
- 5 here, you talked with Special Agent Lopez sometime between
- 6 May 17th, 2021, and June 8th, 2021?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. And how long did the conversation last
- 9 between you and Ms. Lopez?
- 10 A. I don't remember. I spoke to her more than once.
- 11 Q. Okay. How many times did you speak with her?
- 12 A. I'd say three or four.
- 13 Q. Okay. Over what period of time?
- 14 A. The next year.
- 15 Q. Okay. And so were you identified as a victim of
- 16 | Mr. Santos's?
- 17 A. You know, I don't know. I explained to her what
- 18 | happened and that I had fired him and then hired Base
- 19 Design instead. I don't know if she considered me a
- 20 | victim or not. She knew I was out 13 grand.
- 21 | O. Okay. Well, the term -- I'm using the term
- 22 | "victim" in more of a legal sense in that it would entitle
- 23 | you to some type of restitution as a victim of a crime of
- 24 Mr. Santos, and it sounds like that never happened.
- 25 A. Well, he embezzled \$13,000 from me.

Q. No. I hear that, but, I guess, what I'm saying is did you submit any documentation of that to the judge overseeing the criminal proceedings?

- A. No. I just gave a statement to the FBI.
- Q. Okay. And did she tell you -- did Special Agent
   Lopez tell you she was recording your conversation?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. And you said you talked to her about three times over the course of a year?
- 10 A. Yeah, maybe four. Yeah.
- 11 Q. All right. And, I mean, without getting into the 12 specifics, the gist of the conversation was "I paid
- 13 Mr. Santos for services he never performed"?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. Did she ever talk to you about Mr. Curran?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. And in what context did she talk to you about Mr. Curran?
- 19 A. That he'd just been indicted.
  - Q. All right. And did you say anything to Special Agent Lopez about Mr. Curran at all? I guess what I'm getting at is that it sounds like from what you've described here is she had some specific information when she called you initially about Mr. Santos, right? She knew that you worked with him at 200 Naples?

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- Q. Right?
- 3 A. I guess so.
- Q. Okay. And did she have the same kind of information about Mr. Curran?
- 6 A. I believe so, yeah.
- 7 Q. And why do you say that?
  - A. Well, she asked me how the heck I had ended up hiring Santos, and so I told her, you know. Bernie wasn't going to approve the permit that I had outstanding unless I hired Santos, and even though under California Building Code I'm not required to have a structural engineer, I was forced to hire this idiot anyways.
  - Q. Okay. So the context that Mr. Curran came up with your conversations with Agent Lopez had more to do with how you came in contact with Mr. Santos?
- 17 A. Right.
  - Q. Okay. But she wasn't asking about separate things connected to Mr. Curran when she talked to you?
    - A. Asking? I don't know. I don't recall all that stuff. I do know that she was explaining to me exactly what Santos had done and what Bernie had done and was being indicted for and that "Unfortunately, you got caught in the middle of this."
      - Q. Okay.

- 1 A. So that was basically our conversation.
- Q. Did Agent Lopez ask you if you bribed Mr. Curran?
- 3 A. Yeah, she did.
- 4 Q. And did you tell her no?
- 5 A. I told her the same thing I told you.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. Not knowingly.
- 8 Q. All right. And did she ask you whether or not
- 9 Mr. Curran solicited a bribe from you?
- 10 A. I don't -- I don't recall. She might have. I
- 11 | don't know.
- 12 Q. You know what I mean, though, right?
- 13 A. Yeah, yeah.
- 14 Q. And the answer was the same, not knowingly,
- 15 | right?
- 16 A. Well, Bernie never asked me for money.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Ever.
- 19 Q. All right. Okay. So let me get this -- let me
- 20 | just -- I'm trying to create a timeline here of what
- 21 | you're trying to say, and so would you agree that the main
- 22 | source or the motive behind the retaliation that you're
- 23 | alleging in this lawsuit stems from this conversation that
- 24 | you had or the conversations that you had with Special
- 25 | Agent Lopez?

1 A. Concerning Bernie.

- Q. Concerning Bernie?
- 3 A. Specifically.
- 4 Q. Right. And the first of those conversations
- 5 occurred either in May or June of 2021?
- 6 A. Right.

- 7 Q. Correct?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Okay. Would you agree then that the defendants
- 10 | that you've named in this case were not attempting to
- 11 | retaliate against you before that occurred?
- 12 A. I would agree.
- 13 Q. Okay. So --
- 14 A. I had a certificate of completion in hand at the
- 15 | time.
- 16 Q. I see. I understand. So, for example -- okay.
- 17 | So just so I've got it, you agree that prior to being
- 18 | contacted by Ms. Lopez -- Special Agent Lopez, excuse me,
- 19 | you do not believe the building department or any members
- 20 of the planning department were conspiring to retaliate
- 21 | against you?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Okay. You agree with that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay. The double negative there. Okay. So --

1 but it would also be fair to say that you do believe that 2 after you began speaking with Agent Lopez, that's when the 3 retaliation began? 4 Α. Right. 5 I see. Okay. So let me get back to Exhibit 8. Ο. All right? So this is the NOV to amend the NOV, and do 6 7 you agree -- well, so first of all, I think you said that 8 you did not need a structural engineer because the 9 building code did not require -- the California Building 10 Code --11 Α. Right. 12 -- did not require it? Q. 13 (Overlapping voices. 14 Reporter admonition. The record was read back.) 15 16 THE WITNESS: Right. BY MR. SIMS: 17 18 Do you know whether or not the San Francisco Ο. 19 Building Code is more restrictive than the California 20 Building Code in that regard? 2.1 Α. No. 22 Ο. You don't know one way or the other? 23 Α. No. 24 Q. Okay. And so your understanding is that a 25 structural engineer -- I think you said this, so I just

want to make sure I got it right. A structural engineer
is not required if it's just a two-story residence?

- A. Right.
- Q. Okay. All right. So getting back to NOV
  number 8, the first dash says "Stairs leading to 3rd floor
  not installed to approved plans." Do you see that
- 7 | statement?

- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Okay. And so where -- what did the stairs look
  10 like in the improved plans?
- 11 A. They went up to a landing and then turned and 12 went back up the other way.
- Q. Okay. Is that what Mr. Hernandez is referring to as called out for "U-shaped detail"?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And so he's saying instead of having that the stair configuration that you just described, the stairs are built as a straight run up?
- 19 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. And that one did not comply with the plans that you submitted to DBI?
- 22 A. They differed from the plans.
- 23 O. Uh-huh.
- A. Because we couldn't get them in the way the plans had them.

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- 2 Not -- I mean, we had problems with head heights 3 and risers and tread length, and so we tried several 4 different configurations on the stairs.
- Okay. And the configuration that you landed on did not -- did not comply with what had been approved 7 already, right?
  - Α. It was different than what had been approved.
    - Okay. And then the next thing down, it says Ο. "Stairs leading from 1st floor to 2nd floor was not constructed." Do you see that?
- 12 Α. Yes.
- 13 And were there no stairs leading from the first Ο. floor to the second floor? 14
- 15 Α. No.
- 16 Ο. There were not?
- 17 Α. There were not.
  - Okay. And had -- the next sentence says "A Ο. mechanical closet for furnace has been added on both floors modifying the existing and propose plans of having a communicating stairs from 1st floor to 2nd floor." Did you add a mechanical closet for a furnace that was not in the plans?
- 24 It got -- I guess it -- the plans were changed so 25 many times that things got moved around and missed and all

this other stuff, but both furnaces were inspected and passed.

- Q. I'm asking about whether or not you added a mechanical closet for a furnace that was not included in the plans.
- A. It wasn't on the plans, but it had been there before.
- Q. Okay. The next thing down is windows had been replaced throughout. Did you replace the windows at your property?
- 11 A. Yeah.

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- Q. Now, it says -- the next one down is -- it says
  that the "1st floor area has been converted to an ADU by
  adding a full kitchen with stove, sink and cabinets." Did
  you add a kitchen to the first floor area?
  - A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you add a stove to the first-floor area?
- 18 A. I staged it with a stove.
- 19 | Q. So --
- A. And on the stove it said this is not permitted, but owner will help with ADU permit if requested.
- Q. So when you staged the property for sale you had a stove?
  - A. It was a dummy stove.
- 25 | Q. But a stove?

A. Yeah.

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Q. Okay. And did you add a sink to the first-floor area?

- A. No, it already had a sink.
- Q. Okay. And did you add cabinets to the
- 6 | first-floor area?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, the next thing down talks about how
- 9 | it shows this next thing Mr. Hernandez wrote is that
- 10 | "Plans for PA201810183586 show an existing ceiling height
- 11 | of 8 feet and a propose height of 8 feet on 1st floor
- 12 | level." Do you see that?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you agree that the plans in PA201810183586
- 15 | called for an existing ceiling height of eight feet and a
- 16 | proposed ceiling height of eight feet on first-floor
- 17 | level?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And that the next sentence says "Site
- 20 | conditions observed approximately 7 feet in kitchen area
- 21 (approved as storage area)." Do you see that?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Was the seven -- was the ceiling at seven feet in
- 24 | the first -- the kitchen area?
- 25 A. Well, it wasn't a kitchen area. It was a laundry

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- Q. Okay. Was it at seven feet in what you're calling the laundry area?
- 4 A. Yes.
  - Q. Okay. All right. Then it says "Plans for PA201810183586 show an existing ceiling height of 8 feet and a propose height of 8 feet on 1st floor level. Site conditions observe approximately 7 feet 3 inches in approved lower bedroom." Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. Did the plans for PA 201810183586 call for an eight-foot ceiling height?
- 13 A. Well, yes, it did, and it was.
- Q. Okay. So do you believe that the condition of the lower bedroom had an eight-foot ceiling?
  - A. It did before.
- 17 Q. Before what?
- 18 A. Before we had to pour the new foundation.
- Q. Okay. And then after you poured the new foundation?
  - A. Yeah. Then -- the plans showed it existing as eight-foot, and it was, right, and then you go to the structural drawings, and then those call out -- you need this thick a slab over this much rebar and, you know, points out all the structural modifications that need to

1 be made, and so what happens is you lose ceiling height,

- 2 because you just gained floor height, because you just
- 3 | poured a bunch of concrete down there, so yeah, it's one
- 4 of those things that got missed on the architecturals, but
- 5 | it was clear on the structurals.
- 6 Q. Okay. So would you agree then that at least when
- 7 Mr. Hernandez came to your property on June 3rd, 2021, the
- 8 | ceiling height and the lower bedroom was approximately
- 9 seven feet three inches?
- 10 A. I would disagree.
- 11 Q. Okay. In what way?
- 12 A. That he was measuring off the carpet.
- Q. Okay. And where do you believe he should have
- 14 | started his measurement?
- A. Well, not off the carpet. You start -- you take your measurements from the subfloor, not from the carpet.
- Q. Okay. And what do you think the difference of
- 18 height would be between the carpet and the subfloor?
- 19 A. Two inches.
- Q. Okay. So you think the proper measurements
- 21 | should have been seven feet five inches?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- 23 | Q. Okay. And do you believe that had he done the
- 24 proper measurement of seven feet five inches, that would
- 25 | have complied with the submitted plans?

A. No. He was looking for anything he could find.

- Q. Okay. So you would agree that even under your measurement, the ceiling height would have not complied
- 4 | with the accepted plans?
- 5 A. No.

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- 6 Q. It would not have?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. It would not have complied, right?
- 9 A. It would not have complied with the plans.
- 10 Q. Okay. All right. Okay, okay.
- 11 A. However, it was measured by everybody that came 12 out there, and nobody had a problem with it.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. Nobody had a problem with it. Bernie didn't have
- 15 a problem with it. Bill didn't have a problem with it.
- 16 | Nobody had ever pointed out the anomaly on the plans.
- 17 Q. Okay. Let's look at Exhibit 9.
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. It's a permit application. You know, as with the
- 20 other questions I've asked you about, this permit
- 21 | application, this permit was submitted by you, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's your signature at the bottom in the
- 24 | bottom right corner, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

And could you read to me the description of the 1 Ο. 2 work. (Reading) "Document all changes to 201810183586. 3 Α. Legalize new windows previously shown existing. Document 4 5 change to stairwell. Show existing mechanical closet and 6 seismic retrofit." 7 So this permit, Exhibit 9, is -- it says "To Ο. 8 partially comply with NOV 202175602," which is what we 9 just talked about in Exhibit 8, correct? 10 Α. Yeah. 11 Okay. All right. And that permit was submitted Q. or filed by you on July 2nd, 2021, correct? 12 13 Α. Yep. 14 Q. And it was approved on July 19th, 2021, correct? 15 Α. I quess. That's what the stamp says, right? 16 Q. 17 Okay, if that's what it says. Α. 18 Q. Okay. 19 THE WITNESS: Can we pause for a moment? 20 MR. SIMS: Sure. 21 (Discussion was held off the record.) BY MR. SIMS: 22 23 Q. Okay. 24 Α. This is about as nitpicky as it can get, just so 25 you know.

- The permit? 0.
- 2 Α. The notice of violation.
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- The correction notice. 4 Α.
- 5 All right. So it seems like after the permit is O. pulled for -- wait a minute. Let me just stop. You're 6 7 pointing at Exhibit 9 when you say this was about as 8 nitpicky as it can get, right?
- 9 Α. Yes.
  - So, I think, what I'm hearing you say is that you Ο. know these are technical violations, but not things that you believe required the level of enforcement that you received?
- 14 Α. Right.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- Because nobody cared about any of this stuff 16 17 before.
  - Okay. So I've got just a couple more. It seems Ο. that you are then doing work pursuant to some of these permits and some others, and your frustration level -- I don't want to put words in your mouth, but, I assume, it's increasing as time goes on?
- 23 All I was -- we weren't actually doing work to 24 the house. All this was was just revising the drawings.

That was it. 25

Q. Okay. And do you understand -- do you understand the importance of having drawings that match the existing conditions at a property?

- A. To a point.
- Q. Okay. But you understand that it's important for a building inspection department to understand what things are supposed to look like after something is approved, right?
- A. Right.

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- Q. And that that allows an inspector that comes by
  200 Naples in a year or a decade when a different project
  is coming to say, "Okay. This is what it's supposed to
  look like before, and this is what it's supposed to look
  like now," right?
  - A. It's really nitpicky.
  - Q. I'm just talking generally right now.
- 17 A. Generally speaking, it's really, really nitpicky.
- Q. All right. But generally speaking, as far as the function of DBI, you understand that it's important for them to know what is existing and what the proposed changes are, right?
  - A. I don't think it's important at all.
- Q. Okay. You don't think that they should know what's going on on properties around the city?
  - A. I think -- stupid stuff like this? No.

Q. I'm not talking about your case.

- A. Well, that's what we're talking about specifically, this case.
- Q. I'm talking about -- the question I have for you is about the function of the building inspection department. So all I'm just asking you generally is you know there's a reason you have to apply for a permit,
- 9 A. Yeah.

right?

- Q. Okay. And you understand that reason to be that it's important for the building department to know what somebody wants to do at a property, correct?
- A. No. That's not why the building department exists. The building department was started in the very first place to keep homeowners from getting ripped off by contractors, to make sure that the contractor -- because guys like you, you're an attorney, right? I'm a builder. I can build anything. I can't litigate like you can, and you can't build like I can, so you would ask the building department "Look, here's what I want to do," and then it's their job to make sure that I do it, but stuff like this, no. It's not important that they know any of this stuff. None of it's important.
- Q. All right. So you don't think it's important for the building inspection department to know what a

1 | contractor or a homeowner wants to do with their property?

- A. In this case, no.
- 3 Q. All right.

- 4 A. In this particular case, no.
- Q. Putting aside this particular case, generally speaking, you think it's not important?
- 7 A. It depends on what it is.
- Q. Okay. So in some cases it is important, and in some other cases it's not?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. Like one of the things he tried to write me up
  13 for was where the refrigerator was on the drawings as
- 14 opposed to where it ended up, so like I said, he was
- 15 looking for anything he could find. Even the
- 16 refrigerator -- he finally gave up on the refrigerator,
- 17 | but that's how nitpicky he was getting. The refrigerator
- 18 was supposed to be a foot over this way, not here.
- 19 Q. Do you know what special inspections are?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- 21 Q. What are special inspections?
- 22 A. Special inspections are everything that the
- 23 | building department can't or won't do.
- Q. Okay. Pertaining to what?
- 25 A. Usually structural engineering, framing.

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              THE WITNESS: I don't remember.
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1 BY MR. SIMS: 2 Q. Okay. Did you -- were you the only person that handled obtaining the special inspections? 3 I was there for the nailing inspection. 4 Α. 5 Okay. And once you obtained the special O. 6 inspections reports did you provide them to the new 7 structural engineer that you had hired? 8 Α. Base Design? 9 O. Yeah. 10 Α. Correct. 11 Q. Ms. Kathryn Briggs? 12 Α. Yeah. 13 Okay. And were you intending to retain a Q. qualified structural engineer to perform the special 14 inspections reports? 15 16 Α. A couple times. MR. SIMS: Okay. I'm going to mark this as 17 18 Exhibit 11. 19 (Deposition Exhibit Number 11 was marked for identification.) 20 2.1 BY MR. SIMS: All right. Mr. Gallagher, you have in front of 22 O. 23 you what's been marked as Exhibit 11. Do you recognize 24 this document? 25 Α. No, not really, but it looks correct.

Okay. This is a letter from a Ms. Kathryn Briggs 1 Ο. 2 from Base Design. Do you see that?

- Α. Yes.
- 4 And that's the person that you hired as your O. structural engineer for this project?
  - Α. Yes.

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- Q. And in this letter that she is -- she has indicated that "pull testing was provided at the holdown anchor rods epoxied into the existing concrete by JB Goodie, "G-o-o-d-i-e, "Structural Engineers." Do you see that?
- 12 Α. Yeah.
- 13 Okay. And then page 2 of this document is a test Q. 14 report. Do you see that?
- 15 Α. Yeah.
- 16 Ο. And just so I'm clear, based on what you've told me, you were responsible for obtaining this test report 17 18 from JB Goodie Structural Engineers; is that true?
- 19 No, no. I was out there and it was a different 20 guy, I think, R & S Engineers doing the pull test.
  - Ο. Okay.
- 22 So maybe he worked for R & S.
- 23 Do you recall JB Goodie performing special Ο. 24 inspection reports at your property?
- 25 Α. No.

Do you know why this document was submitted to 1 0. the building inspection department?

- Α. Well, because they can't perform the inspections.
- 4 Okay. Do you dispute that it was presented to O. 5 the building inspection department?
  - Α. No.

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- Okay. I'm asking because JB Goodie has never O. been a registered structural engineer with the State of California. Does it surprise you to learn that?
- 10 Α. Yeah.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 But like I said, I used R & S. Α.
- 13 Okay. Let me get back -- you know how we were Q. 14 talking about the retaliation and what we talked about, and you recall we talked about Mr. Hughen and 15 16 Ms. Kwaitkowska. I'm going to do the same thing with the
- 18 San Francisco Building Department. All right? So I think

building inspection defendants, okay, the employees of the

- 19 we've already established that prior to May 2021 or -- May
- 20 or June 2021, you do not believe that any of the employees
- 2.1 at the San Francisco Building Department had a reason to
- retaliate against you? 22
- 23 Right. Α.
- 24 Q. Okay. So let's start with Mr. Duffy. Okay?
- 25 Α. Okay.

1 Q. Well, do you recall when I was asking you about

2 | Mr. Hughen that he -- you said that it was your belief

3 that Mr. Hughen acted, at least in part, in the way that

4 | he did pertaining to your job was because Mr. Duffy told

5 | him that you were talking with the FBI? Do you recall

6 | that testimony?

- 7 A. I believe I responded with "could be," but it
- 8 | could have been just the rumor mill around the building
- 9 department as well.
- 10 Q. Right.
- 11 A. I had gotten a bad rap, or rep.
- 12 Q. Right. And so my question is do you have any
- 13 | information about when specifically Mr. Duffy learned that
- 14 | you were speaking with the FBI about Mr. Curran?
- A. Well, you're asking me to guess when he found
- 16 | out.
- 17 Q. So you can't answer that question, right, because
- 18 | it would be speculation?
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 O. Okay. So you don't know?
- 21 A. I don't know when he found out.
- 22 Q. Okay. Do you know that -- I mean, you assume he
- 23 | did find out eventually, correct?
- A. He ended up with Bernie's job.
- 25 Q. Right. So at some point he learned that

1 Mr. Curran was at least indicted or under investigation,
2 correct?

- A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. And so --
- A. Well, the day Bernie got indicted, he also had to resign that very day.
  - Q. Okay.

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- A. And then Joe Duffy got his job.
- 9 Q. Right. And so -- and so is it your belief that
  10 because Mr. Curran was criminally indicted it was at that
  11 point that employees of the San Francisco Department of
  12 Building Inspection learned that you had had a hand in
  13 that indictment?
- 14 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. And it was at that moment that

  Mr. Duffy -- specifically Mr. Duffy decided that he was

  going to retaliate against you for your conversations with
- 18 | the special agent?
- 19 A. That's what I think, because why would he claim 20 that this never got filed correctly?
  - Q. Other than the fact that the certificate of completion -- of final completion that Mr. Curran provided you was no good, is that what you're thinking Mr. Duffy did to retaliate against you?
- 25 A. I'm positive of it.

- 1 Q. Okay. And that's your belief, correct?
- 2 A. I can prove that this was filed correctly.
- 3 Q. Okay. How can you --
- 4 A. So why would he lie about that?
- 5 Q. How can you prove that?
- 6 A. Well, that's something we'll have to get into a
- 7 | little later.
- 8 Q. Well, I'm asking now.
- 9 A. These documents were altered --
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. -- after Bernie got indicted.
- 12 Q. So you're saying Exhibit 10 was altered after
- 13 | Mr. Curran was indicted?
- 14 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. And in what way were they altered?
- 16 A. Instead of marked as "Completed," the permit was
- 17 | marked as "Expired."
- 18 Q. Okay. So you're not saying that Exhibit 10 was
- 19 | altered, right?
- 20 A. Not in itself.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. I'm saying the building department records were
- 23 | altered.
- Q. Okay. And what building department records were
- 25 | altered -- that you believe were altered?

The whole history of 3586. Instead of marking it 1 Α. 2 as "Completed," which it was, they changed that to 3 "Expired." 4

- O. Okay.
- So why would they do that? Α.
- Who do you believe did that? 6 Ο.
- 7 Well, I think it would have to be somebody high Α. 8 up in the building department to go in there and change 9 and falsify department records.
- 10 0. Okay.

- 11 So that's why I think it was Joe Duffy. Α.
- 12 Q. Okay. And your belief that Mr. Duffy falsified 13 the records is due to his position within DBI, correct?
- 14 Α. Right.
- 15 Ο. And because he is high up in the hierarchy, 16 correct?
- 17 Α. Right.
- 18 All right. And outside of just his position at O. 19 the time this happened, do you have any direct evidence 20 that Mr. Duffy was the one that committed the fraud that 21 you're describing?
- 22 Α. No. It would be more circumstantial.
- 23 0. Okay.
- 24 Α. Like --
- 25 Q. Just --

A. -- who is Margaret Duffy, and why is she living at Bernie's house, right?

- Q. That's a great question. So just so I'm clear, it's by way of Mr. Duffy's position within DBI that you believe he has committed fraud?
  - A. I'm positive he committed fraud.
- Q. Okay. And it's just because of who he is within that organization?
- 9 A. No.

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- 10 Q. Okay. What else do you --
- 11 A. I have paper documents as late as March of '21 --
- 12 Q. Okay.

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- 13 A. -- that show this certificate filed correctly, 14 and the records showed that 3586 had been completed.
- Q. Okay. But why do you think Mr. Duffy is the one who changed it, other than just the fact that he's a boss?
  - talked to Mauricio, and he said, "No, no. You've got to go talk to Joe Duffy. Joe Duffy is the only one that can handle this right now." I said, "Okay. Where's Joe Duffy?" "He's gone for two weeks. You're going to have

Well, when all this first happened I went and

- 22 to wait until he gets back, " and so he gets back and he
- 23 | tells me "No, no, no. This is no good. This is no good.
- 24 No, no. It didn't get filed correctly, Pat. It's no
- 25 good."

1 Q. Okay. So my question is why do you think

2 | Mr. Duffy -- I'm going to ask it one more time. I don't

3 | think you can answer it. That's just me, but why do you

4 | think it was Mr. Duffy that committed the fraud you

5 described?

- A. He was the one in charge of the whole thing.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. Mauricio made that clear. This can only go through Joe Duffy.
- Q. All right. I got it. Other than directing other
- 11 | City employees and this fraud you described, do you think
- 12 | Mr. Duffy personally participated in any of the
- 13 | retaliation that is the subject of your lawsuit?
- 14 A. Yeah.
- 15 | Q. Okay. So how?
- 16 A. I think he spread through the rumor mill and then
- 17 | just directed everybody to obstruct, delay, "Make stuff up
- 18 | if you have to."
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. Just otherwise, how do you explain a project that
- 21 was supposed to take ten weeks took seven years?
- 22 | Q. Okay. So that is -- what you just said is just
- 23 | your interpretation of the delays, correct?
- A. From May 17th of '21, okay, up until December of
- 25 | '24. We had these simple changes that had to be made,

right, on Exhibit 9, and all these were were clerical. 1 2 The place didn't require any work. 3 0. Okay. All right. Let me ask you about a meeting

- 4 that you had with the supervisor. I'm trying to find a spelling for you here.
- 6 MR. SIMS: Can we go off the record.
- 7 (Discussion was held off the record.)
- 8 MR. SIMS: Back on the record.
- Now, Mr. Gallagher, you described a meeting that 9 Ο. 10 you had with at least some employees of Supervisor Safai.
- I believe you referenced specifically EJ --11
- 12 Α. Right.

- 13 -- Mr. Jones. Did the supervisor or former Q. supervisor Safai, did he actually attend that meeting? 14
- We might have had a three-way call. 15 Α.
- 16 Ο. Okay.
- 17 Oh, you mean when we met with the building Α. 18 department?
- 19 Ο. Correct.
- 20 No, just Ernest Jones was there. Α.
- 2.1 And that meeting, I believe, occurred on May 4th, Ο.
- 2022. Does that sound right to you? 22
- Sounds about right. 23 Α.
- 24 Q. Okay. And during that meeting there was a 25 discussion between yourself, Mr. Duffy -- was Mr. Greene

1 there, Matthew Greene? 2 Α. I don't know. 3 Ο. Okay. 4 Α. I know Birmingham was. 5 Mr. Birmingham was there? O. 6 Α. Yeah. 7 Ο. Okay. Was Mr. Hernandez there? Yes. 8 Α. 9 Okay. Was anyone from the San Francisco Planning Ο. 10 Department there? 11 Α. No. 12 Okay. And then it was -- it was Mr. Jones? Q. 13 Α. Right. And during that meeting there was a discussion of 14 Ο. 15 what the building department was requiring of you to get 16 your property into compliance, correct? 17 Α. Right. 18 Okay. And did you find that to be a productive O. 19 meeting? 20 Α. No. 2.1 O. And why? Well, first of all, I wanted to know who 22 23 invalidated this. Right? That was my very first

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question, and Joe again was like "No, no, no. No, that's

no good, and we want that back. You've got to give that

1 back. We want that back." I'm like "I'm not giving it 2 back." 3 Anyways, so -- and then they -- so first document 9. Right? So Mauricio calls out document 4 5 changes to the stairs, right, and show the mechanical closet, all nitpicky crap, and then he says to legalize 6 7 the new windows that had previously been approved, and so 8 that had to go through planning, the windows, and even get the historic commission involved in it, right, and so 9 10 planning had actually spec'd out these windows. So Mauricio tells me "Legalize new windows." 11 12 Well, that's just a simple declaration. It's just filling 13 out another piece of paper, and so I did everything they asked on this correction notice right here. Right? 14 revised all the drawings, showed all the changes or 15 16 deviations, and I legalized the windows, and so then I go I'm like "Okay. Can we sign off on this now?" 17 back. 18 "Why not?" You have to change out your windows." 19 Ο. And why did they tell you you needed to change 20 out your windows? 2.1 Well, first Kevin came up with a bunch of BS and Α. he said, "You are not allowed to egress out those 22 23 windows." I said, "Sure, you can." He goes "You can 24 egress them to anything that's safe. There are no 25 trespassing laws when your house is on fire. That's

ridiculous, but they wouldn't budge, and neither would Joe 1 2 Duffy, you know, and so now they're telling me "You have 3 to change out those windows, second floor, twenty feet up scaffolding and stucco, " and so I had talked to Ernest, 4 5 and he said, "I don't get these guys, Pat. I don't get where they're coming from. You're probably going to have 6 7 to start litigating this thing. You're probably going to 8 have to sue them." 9 Then that just kept going and going and going, 10 you know, so I spent 30-something-thousand dollars 11 changing out the windows, and then, of course, the stucco 12 had a color coat, and we were never going to be able to 13 get that to match again. 14 0. Just can I stop you right there, because --15 MR. SIMS: Can you just read him the question 16 that I actually asked him, please. (The record was read back.) 17 18 BY MR. SIMS: 19 So I think you said because there was an egress 20 issue that Mr. Birmingham raised. 2.1 Α. Right. 22 O. Okay. And did he tell you the code section that 23 supported what he was saying? 24 Α. No. Okay. And you disagreed with what Mr. Birmingham 25 Q.

thought as far as the windows went? 1

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- Okay. Other than the windows, were there 3 0. anything else -- was there any other issues discussed at 4 5 the meeting, other than the CFC that we've already talked about?
- 7 Α. Well, he went on about -- Joe Duffy went on about 8 how everybody in the building department really works hard and does the best they can and blah, blah, blah. Then I 9 told him -- I said, "Look, Joe. I didn't call the FBI. 10
- 11 They called me. What am I supposed to do? Lie to the 12 FBI?" Then he kind of threw a fit, and then the meeting 13 was over.
  - 0. Okay. And so after the meeting happened -- well, how long was the meeting?
    - Α. I'd say about an hour.
- Okay. And so did you eventually do the work with 17 Q. 18 the windows that you just described they wanted you to do?
- 19 Α. Yeah.
- 20 All right. And when was that completed? Ο.
- 2.1 Shortly after that meeting. I mean, I got on it Α. as fast as I could. 22
- 23 0. Okay.
- 24 Α. But here's the thing. Planning spec'd those 25 windows out specifically because they thought the house

may have some historic value. Right?

Q. Okay.

- A. So why would planning tell me "These are the windows you need to use" and then after Bernie gets busted, now I'm told "You've got to get rid of these windows"?
  - Q. Okay. So when did you finish the windows?
- A. I don't know. Like I said, shortly after that meeting.
- Q. And when -- and then after the window issue was resolved you had some other problems with the ADU and the ceiling heights, correct?
- A. Well, I didn't think so, because I called Joe and I told him -- I said, "Look, it's not seven-three. Okay? It's seven-foot-five, and if we're not going to be able to issue an ADU for any of this stuff, then let's just" -- "let's just cancel the ADU altogether," but Mauricio kept saying, "No, no. You have to file for the ADU."

So San Francisco for many years has had its own building codes. You know what I mean? They're called objective building codes for the City of San Francisco, but they're not allowed to do that sort of stuff anymore. So in California the legal height for an ADU is seven-foot. For a family residence it's seven-foot-six, but Matt Greene wouldn't let that one go, and this is what

They start off with Bernie, and then they move 1 they do. 2 it to Mauricio. Then Mauricio moves it over to -- what 3 was this guy's name? Somebody else, and then that guy sends it over to Matt Greene, and then Matt Greene sends 4 5 it over to somebody else. When I finished this correction notice I asked 6 7 Mauricio to sign off on it, seeing how he's the one that 8 wrote it up. Right? He wouldn't do it. He passed it off to Kevin, and Kevin wanted the windows taken out, and 9 10 Kevin sends it over to some other guy who wants the driveway filled in, and then he sends it over to Matt 11 12 Greene, who wants the whole thing nixed in the first 13 place, because he doesn't agree with the ceiling height, so if it wasn't retaliation, why didn't Mauricio just sign 14 off on this correction notice in the first place and we'd 15 have been done with it? 16 MR. SIMS: All right. Can we mark that now. 17 18 (Deposition Exhibit Number 12 19 was marked for identification.) BY MR. SIMS: 2.0 2.1 All right. I have just some general guestions 0. about your e-mail address. Is your e-mail address 22 23 bigblockpat@gmail.com? 24 Α. Yes. 25 Q. And does anyone else, as far as you know, have

1 access to that e-mail address, other than you?

- A. My ex.
- Q. Okay. Did you ever -- are you aware of an instance where your ex has sent an e-mail that you did not
- 5 | send from --

- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. -- from bigblockpat@gmail.com?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay. Would it be fair to say that instead of
  10 going through each of these large stack of e-mails that
  11 you sent or received from various employees of the City
  12 and County of San Francisco that you'll stipulate that any
  13 e-mail that is either sent from bigblockpat@gmail.com or
  14 received by bigblockpat.com (verbatim) was either sent or
- 15 read by you?
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 Q. You stipulate to that, right?
- 18 A. Okay. Yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. Let me ask you some questions about Exhibit 12, and I want -- I'm going to go backwards, because that's chronologically how they read. And so the second page of Exhibit 12 is an e-mail from Matthew Greene
- 23 to you, dated March 10th, 2023. Do you see that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And it reads "Mr. Gallagher, Per your

1 | request, please see the below for the specific

- 2 requirements to receive final sign off for building permit
- 3 | application number 202108096049 (for a new ADU) at
- 4 | 200 Naples)." Do you see that?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. Do you remember receiving this e-mail?
- 7 A. Vaguely.
- 8 Q. Okay. And do you remember reading it?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 | Q. Okay. Well --
- 11 A. Yeah. I'm pretty sure I did, because I was
- 12 | pretty hot.
- 13 Q. All right. So would you agree that this e-mail,
- 14 | at least as you interpret it, is an attempt by Mr. Greene
- 15 | to let you know exactly what it is you need to do in order
- 16 | to get a certificate of completion related to your ADU
- 17 | unit?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Okay. What do you interpret this e-mail to be?
- 20 A. BS.
- 21 Q. Okay. You just disagree with the content of the
- 22 | e-mail?
- A. I disagree with the intent, the content, the
- 24 | whole thing.
- 25 Q. Okay. And what do you believe Mr. Greene's

1 intent was by sending this e-mail?

- A. To delay the project even more.
- Q. Okay. Would you agree if Mr. Greene's intent was to delay the project he would not e-mail you at all?
- 5 A. No.

- Q. Okay. So I understand it, this e-mail -- this
  e-mail, at least according to you, from the chief building
  inspector is to delay your project?
- 9 A. It's CYA.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. It's BS, like I said before.
- 12 Q. What part of it is BS?
- 13 A. All of it.
- 14 Q. Every single word of it?
- 15 A. Yep.
- Q. Okay. What about the words "Mr. Gallagher"? Is
- 17 | that BS?
- 18 A. No, that's okay.
- 19 Q. Okay. Every other word, though?
- A. Yeah, everything else in here. For one thing,
- 21 when you apply for a permit, like I said earlier, any and
- 22 all abatements on that property have to be paid for and
- 23 cleared right then and there when you apply for the
- 24 permit. That's when these abatements were cleared. Back
- 25 in 2018 they were cleared.

Q. So your --

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- A. He brought them out of mothballs -- let me

  finish -- so he could delay my project some more, because

  we were back in escrow, and then they pop up again, these

  abatements, again.
  - Q. I'm not asking you about that. I'm asking you about the e-mail he sent on March 10, 2023. It's not on the page you're looking at.
- 9 A. Okay.
- Q. Okay? You believe -- look at the -- can you review that e-mail for me. It starts right there at the bottom of that page.
- 13 A. Yeah. Again, BS.
- Q. Okay. What is it BS about? Hold on. Actually,
  I'm withdrawing that question, because I don't -- do you
  believe that the building code in San Francisco states
  that habitable space shall, quote, "have a ceiling height
  of not less than 7 feet 6 inches above the finished
- 19 | floor"?
- 20 A. Do I agree with it?
- Q. No. Do you believe that the building code says that?
- 23 A. I believe the San Francisco Building Code says 24 that.
- Q. Okay. Do you see number two on the e-mail dated

1 | March 10th? It's the next page.

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So according -- in this section of the
- 4 | e-mail Mr. Greene is communicating to you that the window
- 5 | in the bedroom, there must be a five-foot clear opening,
- 6 and the interior height cannot be higher than
- 7 | forty-four inches above the finished floor. Do you see
- 8 | that part?

- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And then he embeds a photo of what, I believe,
- 11 | are plans, and he's saying at the site visit on March 2nd
- 12 | the sill height, presumably the windowsill height, was
- 13 | measured to be 48 inches and not meeting the minimum
- 14 requirements of the code. Do you see that sentence, sir?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Do you agree with Mr. Greene that the sill height
- 17 on the window in the bedroom was 48 inches?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Okay. Why do you believe it was something
- 20 | different?
- 21 A. Because I had already addressed that when Kevin
- 22 | had me change out the windows the first time and the
- 23 | second time.
- Q. Okay. So you believe that the measurement was
- 25 | done incorrectly?

1 A. Yes.

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Q. Okay.

- A. There was a step there, an easy fix.
- Q. Okay. So was it -- when you say it's a step, do
- 5 | you believe that the measurement was just started at an
- 6 incorrect place?
- 7 A. Yeah. He started off the floor instead of off
- 8 | the step.
- 9 Q. Okay. So when Mr. Greene says "the interior sill
- 10 height cannot be higher than 44 inches above the finish
- 11 | floor, " you interpret that to mean above the step that you
- 12 | had installed?
- 13 A. That's it, yeah. What he's saying is incorrect.
- 14 Q. I see. Okay. Number three, talks about official
- 15 | sign-off for an electrical permit. Do you see that?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Was that outstanding at the time this e-mail was
- 18 drafted?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. Okay. You believe you had sign-off on
- 21 | electrical -- the electrical permit referenced here?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And is that because you had the
- 24 | certificate of completion?
- 25 A. No.

1 Q. That was a different thing?

A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. Did you ever apply for -- we talked about
- 4 | the curb cuts this morning. Did you ever apply to DPW to
- 5 | reinstate the curb cut?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And did they approve that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. And so the hang-up with the parking was
- 10 | with planning allowing you to put the spaces on your
- 11 | property, correct?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Okay. What was the hang-up with the parking?
- 14 A. Well, there wasn't any until Matthew Greene came
- 15 out there. Everybody was fine with it except for Matthew
- 16 | Greene.
- 17 Q. Okay. So you did request a variance, though,
- 18 | correct, from the planning department?
- 19 A. Which wasn't required, but yes, that was what
- 20 | Natalia made me go through.
- 21 | O. Okay. And that variance request was denied,
- 22 | correct?
- 23 A. Right.
- Q. And that was not denied -- it was not denied by
- 25 | Natalia, right?

A. It was denied by Natalia, but what you're referring to is the variance here.

- Q. No, no. Well, maybe.
- 4 A. Yeah.

- 5 Q. The variance hearing was conducted by Mr. Corey
- 6 | Teague, T-e-a-g-u-e, correct?
- 7 A. The first one, yes.
- 8 Q. Correct.
- 9 A. And then the second one was done down here in the 10 city.
- 11 Q. The board of appeals?
- 12 A. Right.
- Q. And that was also denied?
- 14 A. Right.
- Q. Okay. And do you believe that the people
- 16 | involved with the determination of your variance request
- 17 | were also retaliating against you?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 | Q. Okay. So do you believe -- well, I presume you
- 20 disagree with the outcome of that variance request.
- 21 A. So did the board of supervisors.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. They were watching --
- Q. Just let me finish my question, sir. While you
- 25 disagree with the outcome of the variance request and your

1 | hearing at the board of appeal, you do not believe that

- 2 | those decisions were made for any improper purpose?
- A. You're putting words in my mouth that I would
- 4 | never use.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 A. I think they were stupid. They didn't listen.
- 7 | They didn't follow the law.
- Q. Okay. But I'm asking about -- that has to do
- 9 | with outcome, right? That has to do with their decision.
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. I'm asking whether you think that they railroaded
- 12 | you because you talked to the FBI.
- 13 A. Maybe.
- 14 Q. But you don't know, right?
- 15 A. Their decision made no sense whatsoever, none.
- 16 Q. Okay. In fact, at the hearing, the board of
- 17 | appeal hearing, several of the members of the board of
- 18 | appeals told you that your reading of the laws that you
- 19 | were citing was incorrect.
- 20 A. No, that never happened.
- 21 Q. Okay. You did appear there, though, right?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- Q. And you were not represented by any lawyer?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. And you made arguments on your own behalf?

A. Right.

- Q. The first e-mail of Exhibit 11 from Mr. Greene, dated June 8, 2023, do you see that?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- Q. I think we talked about this this morning, but
  you believe that Mr. Greene mentioned these orders of
  abatements that had been recorded against your property at
  this time because he was trying to retaliate against you?
- 9 A. Yeah, because he was trying to stop the sale of 10 the house again.
- 11 Q. Okay. And how do you know that he knew that the 12 sale was pending?
- 13 A. There's a big sign right out in front.
- 14 Q. So there's a "For Sale" sign?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- Q. And do you know whether or not Mr. Greene saw that sign?
- 18 | A. I'm sure he did.
- Q. I mean, is that just your suspicion or were you there when he saw it?
- 21 A. I don't know.
- Q. You don't know whether you were there when he saw it?
- A. You're asking me for hypotheticals. You're asking me to guess again.

Q. I'm actually asking you for what you know.

That's really all I really care about, so if you don't know something, just say you don't know it.

- A. I know that these are BS.
- Q. And what do you mean by that?
- A. When you file for -- when you pull a permit, if there are any abatements against the property you have to take care of them right then and there at that time. How many permits have I pulled, and how many times does it say on here to comply with NOV such-and-such, to comply with NOV such-and-such, and guess what numbers are right here? All these numbers to comply with NOV such-and-such, he brings these back.
- Q. So these are NOV's that were -- you were attempting to abate during the course of your remodel, right?
- 17 A. From 2018.

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- Q. Right. And because of the DBI's enforcement process, orders of abatement were eventually recorded against your property, correct?
  - A. Before I even bought it.
- Q. Well, some of these orders of abatement,
  according to Mr. Greene, were recorded in February of
  24 2019.
- 25 A. Now, how can that be?

I'm asking about whether you see that on the 1 Ο. 2 document. That's another reason why I'm calling it BS. 3 Α. 4 Okay. Well, do you dispute that it was recorded O. 5 against the property on February 3rd, 2019? I don't see how it could have been. 6 Α. 7 Ο. Okay. 8 Α. Look at all the permits I pulled that pre-date 9 2019 to comply. This is NOV 2018. This is NOV 2016 and 10 2017, so just from these two permits those three abatements were cleared before they even were supposedly 11 12 recorded. 13 Ο. So you think an abatement -- an order of 14 abatement gets cleared once a permit is issued? Shouldn't it? 15 Α. 16 Ο. Well, wouldn't it make sense that the issue in need of abatement would still exist when the permit is 17 18 issued if you're working pursuant to a permit? 19 Α. From 2016? 20 MR. SIMS: All right. We're going to take a 2.1 five-minute break. 22 (Recess was taken. 23 Deposition Exhibit Number 13 24 was marked for identification.) /// 25

1 BY MR. SIMS:

- Q. All right. Mr. Gallagher, we've marked as
- 3 | Exhibit 13, I believe, the initial lawsuit you filed
- 4 | against the City and its employees in this case. Do you
- 5 | see that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And this is something that you submitted to the
- 8 | San Francisco Superior Court?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And something that you wrote, correct? Well, how
- 11 | about this. Let's turn to the last page. Do you see the
- 12 | verification there?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. That's your signature at the bottom?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And it's dated March 8th, 2023, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 | 0. And in this verification you are attesting
- 19 | that -- under penalty of perjury that "the matters stated
- 20 | in the foregoing document or this complaint are true to my
- 21 own knowledge, except those matters that are stated on
- 22 | information and belief"? Is that true?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And it was true when you wrote this document,
- 25 | correct?

1 A. Yes.

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- Q. And submitted it to the court -- the court in San Francisco?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. I want you to review this document real quick, and turn to page 5.
- 7 A. Okay.
- 8 Q. Do you see paragraph 16?
- 9 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. In paragraph 16 you were trying to allege that Messrs. Curran and Santos were arrested and charged by the United States government. Is that true?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, is there any -- and then in other

  parts of your complaint you are making allegations against

  Mr. Duffy and Mr. Birmingham and Ms. Kwaitkowska for

  generally obstructing your project, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. There's no allegation in here that the reason for the obstruction was due to your participation in the investigation of Messrs. Curry and Santos?
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. Do you agree with that?
- 24 A. No, but --
- 25 Q. Take your time and read it, and let me know.

1 We can do that off the record. MR. SIMS: 2 (Pause in the proceedings.) 3 MR. SIMS: Could you just read that question back 4 to him. 5 (The record was read back.) BY MR. SIMS: 6 7 Now, Mr. Gallagher, we just read back some O. 8 questions and you've had an opportunity to review the 9 complaint that you filed. Are there any allegations in 10 this complaint marked as Exhibit 12 -- 13, excuse me, that talk about retaliation for your participation in the 11 12 investigation of Mr. Curran or Mr. Santos? 13 Α. Not in those words. Okay. In fact, the words "FBI" don't appear 14 Ο. anywhere, correct? 15 16 Α. I would agree. Or more specifically, the words "Federal Bureau 17 Ο. 18 of Investigation" do not appear, correct? 19 Α. Correct. 20 And when you submitted this lawsuit you were Ο. 2.1 upset, correct? 22 Α. Yes. 23 You were upset with the way the project at 0. 24 200 Naples had gone, correct? 25 Α. Yes.

Q. And you had felt that you were being treated unfairly?

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- Q. And in order to communicate that you were intent on, one, being truthful in your pleading, correct?
  - A. Right.
- Q. Which is why you made it under penalty of perjury?
- 9 A. Right.
  - Q. And the second thing is that you wanted to include everything that would allow you to get the damages that you describe later on in the complaint, right?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. And this was later amended.
- Q. I've got a couple more nits and gnats, and then
  we'll get you out of here. There's an e-mail address that
  I saw in one of the e-mails. The address is
  jneal\_dc@comcast.net.
- 20 A. Yes.
  - Q. Does that e-mail address mean anything to you?
  - A. J. Neal was one of my drafters, architects, if you want to call -- I don't think he was a certified architect, but he helped me make a bunch of the changes to the drawings that were spelled out by Mauricio.

- Q. Okay. So Mr. Neal assisted you in drawing plans
  to comply with some of the NOV's that we talked about
- 3 today?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. And most notably, the NOV that was authored by
- 6 Mr. Hernandez?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And you said he's not a licensed
- 9 | architect?
- 10 A. I don't believe so. He might be, but I don't
- 11 | think he is.
- 12 Q. Okay. Did he provide structural or architectural
- 13 | drawings to DBI?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay. What is his actual name?
- 16 A. John Neal.
- 17 Q. And "Neal" is spelled like the e-mail address?
- 18 A. N-e-a-l.
- 19 Q. Okay. And where -- do you have an address for
- 20 | him?
- 21 A. I do, but I couldn't tell you what it is offhand.
- 22 | Q. Okay. And have you worked with him on any other
- 23 projects, other than this one?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Okay. There's another name that I didn't know,

Meghan O'Halloran, M-e-g-h-a-n, O, apostrophe,
H-a-l-l-o-r-a-n?

A. Yes.

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- 4 Q. Do you know who that person is?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 O. And who is it?
  - A. Meghan, she kind of -- what is her profession? What she does is she waits this line for you. You give her either the blueprints or the application or whatever and she'll do all the waiting and go through all the stations. See, now after COVID everything's done on computer now online, but back then you had to go from station to station physically, station to station to station to station to get everything approved, and normally that would take all day, so that's what Meghan does. She'll do that for you.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. But I don't know what --
- 19 Q. She's a permit expediter?
- 20 A. Okay. That makes sense.
  - Q. All right. Just to reiterate what we discussed earlier today, it sounds like not only did you bring some documents that had not yet been produced but there's some other documents that you referenced, namely some photographs that you wanted to show me and you said you're

1 going to show me, so I'm done with the questioning for

2 | today, but per our agreement we may reschedule and talk

3 | about some of these new documents that, at least in my

4 opinion, should have been produced before today and

5 | certainly after, so I'm going to reserve my right to ask

you about those documents once I receive them at a later

7 date.

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- A. Okay.
- 9 Q. And we can agree that that can be done just by 10 agreement with the parties, correct?
- 11 A. Sure.
- Q. Okay. The reason I'm asking that in that way is because the discovery cutoff is next week, and I can't imagine you're going to get me all these papers and the photos in time to reschedule something before the cutoff, so --
  - A. I'll get them to you tomorrow.
- Q. Okay. Well, I'm going to be out of town next
  week, so I can't do it next week, so we're going to
  just -- all I'm saying is we don't have to file motions
  and stuff like that with the court, just sort it out. It
  may not be necessary.
- A. I really thought I had sent you the pictures because the pictures are very --
- MR. SIMS: Okay. Let's just finish that -- we

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Patrick Gallagher July 31, 2025 --000--I do solemnly declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is my deposition under oath; that these are the questions asked of me and my answers thereto; that I have read same and have made the necessary corrections, additions, or changes to my answers that I deem necessary. In witness thereof, I hereby subscribe my name this \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, PATRICK GALLAGHER 

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## INTRODUCTION

- In 2018, Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER ("Plaintiff"), a veteran in the 1. construction industry for over forty-five (45) years, purchased a single family home in San Francisco with the intention of renovating and selling the property.
- During the initial renovation process, Plaintiff was the victim of a pay-to-play fraud 2. by employees of Defendant CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ("CITY"). The payto-play fraud was known, encouraged, formulated, and tolerated by the CITY and targeted individuals, such as Plaintiff, who were renovating homes for re-sell. As part of the fraud, the CITY would not issue Plaintiff permits necessary to complete work, would not approve work that had been completed in compliance with all CITY ordinances, and threatened frivolous code enforcement violations unless Plaintiff agreed to use the services of certain consultants or engineers recommended to Plaintiff by the CITY.
- After uncovering the truth behind these deceptive practices and refusing to 3. participate, Plaintiff spoke with the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning this illegal and fraudulent scheme. The FBI had already been conducting an investigation into several CITY officials including Defendant BERNARD CURRAN ("CURRAN"), former Building Inspector for San Francisco's Department of Building Inspection ("SFDBI"), who specifically perpetrated this scheme against Plaintiff. CURRAN was eventually arrested and charged with accepting gratuities as rewards for approving building permits.
- Due to Plaintiff's participation in the FBI's investigation and refusal to participate in the pay-to-play fraud, Plaintiff was subjected to brazen retaliation by SFDBI employees and other CITY officials. Such retaliation included, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion. The subject property has been in escrow on three (3) separate occasions, all of which have fallen through due to the CITY's retaliation and unjustified taking.
- The CITY has a pattern, custom, and/or practice of retaliatory conduct against those who speak out against wrongful and illegal actions. Namely, much like the facts in this case, a

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CITY Planning Commissioner, who also owned an investment property in San Francisco, recently filed suit alleging that he was retaliated against by SFDBI employees after making complaints and speaking out against its pay-to-play scheme and corrupt practices. The Commissioner alleged that after he called on the City Attorney to conduct an investigation, SFDBI employees riddled the Commissioner's property with erroneous complaints, unnecessary inspections, unwarranted notices of violation, and revoked nine (9) permits, all related to completed work that had already been approved, permitted, and inspected by SFDBI. The retaliation caused the value of the Commissioner's property to depreciate and caused other significant damages. The Commissioner named Defendant MAURICIO HERNANDEZ ("HERNANDEZ"), a SFDBI Building Inspector, as a defendant in his case, alleging that he was one of the employees who retaliated against him. The Commissioner settled his case against the CITY for \$1.8 Million dollars.

- As of the filing of this Complaint, the subject property has been in escrow on three 6. (3) occasions and has not sold as a result of the CITY's retaliation and unjustified taking.
- Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer severe damages including, without 7. limitation, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, increased taxes, severe emotional distress, and irreparable harm to reputation.
- This Complaint addresses the CITY's unlawful and wrongful conduct against Plaintiff and seeks to shed light on its practices that undermine the public trust in government and present a threat to public safety.

### **PARTIES**

- At all relevant times, Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER ("Plaintiff") is and was a 9. resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California. Plaintiff brings this action individually and as trustee for the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 10. Defendant CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ("CITY") is and was a public entity duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California. The San Francisco Department of Building Inspection ("SFDBI") is the CITY's agency responsible for issuing permits and overseeing the enforcement of state and local building codes and regulations.

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Employees of the SFDBI are local officials of the CITY.

- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 11. Defendant BERNARD CURRAN ("CURRAN") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 12. Defendant RODRIGO SANTOS ("SANTOS") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was a former employee of the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 13. Defendant JOE DUFFY ("DUFFY") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as the Deputy Director of SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 14. Defendant KEVIN BIRMINGHAM ("BIRMINGHAM") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 15. Defendant MAURICIO HERNANDEZ ("HERNANDEZ") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 16. Defendant WILLIAM HUGHEN ("HUGHEN") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Senior Planner with San Francisco Planning. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.

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Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 17. Defendant NATALIA KWAITKOWSKA ("KWAITKOWSKA") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Principal Planner with San Francisco Planning. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.

- Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued in this 18. Complaint as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and therefore Plaintiff sues these defendants by these fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that each of the defendants designated herein as a DOE negligently, carelessly, and tortiously is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to and proximately caused injury and damages to Plaintiff as herein alleged. Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that, at all times herein 19. mentioned, Defendants CITY, DUFFY, CURRAN, SANTOS, BIRMINGHAM, HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, KWAITKOWSKA, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were the agents, servants, representatives, employees, and employers of each remaining defendant, and in doing the things alleged in this Complaint, were acting within the course, scope, and purpose of said agency and employment and in said capacity.
- Defendants CITY, DUFFY, CURRAN, SANTOS, BIRMINGHAM, HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, KWAITKOWSKA, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, at times hereinafter shall be collectively referred to as "Defendants".

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

Plaintiff filed his original Complaint in the Superior Court, State of California in 21. and for the County of San Francisco. Plaintiff maintained that the Superior Court had jurisdiction over this action and the venue was proper pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 395.5 in that the conduct took place in the County of San Francisco, the work on the home was to be performed in the County of San Francisco, the property at the center of this dispute is located in the County of San Francisco, and the amount in controversy is more than \$25,000.

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22. CITY removed this action to its current venue, the United States District Court, Northern District of California on July 19, 2023, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446.

### SATISFACTION OF GOVERNMENT CLAIMS ACT REQUIREMENTS

- Plaintiff has complied with all applicable government claims act requirements. 23.
- Plaintiff timely presented a claim for damages to CITY on or about September 8, 24. 2022, within six (6) months of the incidents giving rise to this litigation. On or about October 6, 2022, CITY served a written rejection of Plaintiff's claim.
  - Thus, this action has been filed within the allowable time limit. 25.

### PUBLIC ENTITY LIABILITY

26. Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are liable to Plaintiff pursuant to, without limitation, Government Code § 815.2(a).

### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- Plaintiff alleges the following upon reasonable information and belief and without 27. limitation:
- For the past twelve (12) years, Plaintiff, a veteran of the construction industry for 28. over forty-five (45) years, has been involved in the business of purchasing and renovating homes. It was this type of business that he was involved in when he purchased a single family home through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, in or around the summer of 2018, located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, California 94112 ("subject property").
- The subject property was originally built in 1907 and is the only sub-dividable or expandable lot in the neighborhood with the best views. The property was in need of a large amount of repairs.
- Once Plaintiff started the renovation process, SFDBI inspectors, including Philip 30. Saunders, routinely showed up to the subject property threatening Plaintiff and his workers with code enforcement violations for standard work that was being performed. The unwarranted threats and harassment from SFDBI got significantly worse, such that two (2) of Plaintiff's employees were forced to quit.

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To begin substantive work on the property, Plaintiff needed to obtain an all-31. encompassing permit from the CITY. CURRAN, an SFDBI Building Inspector at the time, told Plaintiff that in order to obtain the permit and begin the full renovation process, Plaintiff needed to hire a structural engineer for the project. Plaintiff was confused and disagreed with CURRAN, stating that a structural engineer for a two-story single family home was completely unnecessary. Nevertheless, CURRAN insisted that Plaintiff hire a structural engineer or the permit would not be granted. What's more, Curran insisted that Plaintiff hire SANTOS, a former SFDBI employee who was now operating a business that specialized in structural engineering. To ensure the permit would be issued and to move the already delayed project along, Plaintiff complied with CURRAN's mandate and hired SANTOS.

- Work that was supposed to take approximately two (2) weeks turned into ten (10) 32. months. SANTOS continually delayed the project and kept demanding more money from Plaintiff for specious and unnecessary work. By the time SANTOS had completed his drawings for the project, they were completely wrong and called for more work than was necessary for a home that size. Plaintiff at this point had paid SANTOS approximately \$13,000 in fees and wasted a significant amount of time and resources for work that was essentially useless. Consequently, Plaintiff fired SANTOS and hired a different firm that was unaffiliated with SFDBI. The new firm completed the work in approximately two (2) weeks for a fraction of the cost.
- After the significant delay, Plaintiff was issued the all-encompassing permit in or 33. around June of 2019 and began the main renovation process.
- In or around August of 2020, the project was complete and CURRAN issued 34. Plaintiff a signed certificate of completion.
- In or around May of 2021, Plaintiff entered into an agreement to sell the subject 35. property and it went into escrow.
- At or around this time, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was conducting an 36. investigation into CURRAN and SANTOS related to, among other things, an illegal "pay to play" scheme. CURRAN was forced to resign from SFDBI due to the investigation.

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At or around this time, Plaintiff was contacted by the Federal Bureau of 37. Investigation, discussing his dealings with CURRAN and SANTOS concerning the apparent scheme that was perpetrated against him.

- At or around this time, the CITY, namely DUFFY, BIRMINGHAM, 38. HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, and KWAITKOWSKA, close associates with both CURRAN and SANTOS, became aware and/or were under the belief that Plaintiff had discussions with the FBI concerning CURRAN and SANTOS.
- Approximately four (4) days prior to escrow closing on the subject property, 39. SFDBI issued Plaintiff a notice of violation for an expired permit and an illegal downstairs unit. The taxes on the property were also raised. SFDBI falsely claimed that the certificate of completion that CURRAN signed never got filed correctly and was now void. SFDBI also falsely claimed that a realtor had reported the illegal downstairs unit after discovering it at an open house, despite the fact that Plaintiff never held an open house and did not intend for the space to be used as an additional dwelling unit. SFDBI told Plaintiff that the entire property would need to be reinspected and approved. Escrow did not close and the sale of the subject property fell through. The CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff and its unjustified taking of the subject property had begun.
- The CITY has a pattern, custom, and/or practice of retaliatory conduct against those 40. who speak out against wrongful and illegal actions. Namely, much like the facts in this case, a CITY Planning Commissioner, who also owned an investment property in San Francisco, recently filed suit alleging that he was retaliated against by SFDBI employees after making complaints and speaking out against its pay-to-play scheme and corrupt practices. Specifically, the Commissioner raised numerous concerns to CITY officials and called for investigations into SFDBI's corrupt practice of approving and issuing unqualified permits and work for certain development projects in exchange for kickbacks. One of these projects involved two convicted felons who were believed to have close relationships with SFDBI employees. The Commissioner alleged that SFDBI employees were approving grossly misrepresented permit applications, allowing work to be done on projects far beyond the scope permitted, failing to conduct sufficient inspections, and failing to stop serial permitting, among others. Less than a month after the Commissioner called for an

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investigation to be conducted by the City Attorney, SFDBI employees, including HERNANDEZ, an SFDBI Building Inspector, began targeting the Commissioner's investment property. SFDBI riddled the property with erroneous complaints, unnecessary inspections, unwarranted notices of violations, and revoked nine (9) permits, all related to completed work that had already been approved, permitted, and inspected by SFDBI. Notably, the Commissioner alleged that HERNANDEZ made statements to other officials that they were going to come down hard on the Commissioner's property. HERNANDEZ was named as individual defendant in the Commissioner's case. The Commissioner settled his case against the CITY for \$1.8 Million dollars.

- 41. Much like the Commissioner's case, HERNANDEZ and BIRMINGHAM, another SFDBI Building Inspector, began the retaliation campaign against Plaintiff. HERNANDEZ and BIRMINGHAM re-inspected the property and issued another notice of violation, falsely claiming that the windows located on the second floor were illegal. The windows in question had been in existence since the house was built and had already been approved twice. They demanded that Plaintiff submit an application to legalize the windows. They also told Plaintiff that he needed to submit an application for an additional dwelling unit and revise the plans for the property to more accurately reflect the stairs as built. During the inspection, HERNANDEZ sneered at Plaintiff, telling him "we know who you've been talking to".
- 42. Plaintiff had no choice but to comply with SFDBI's demands related to these unfound violations and submitted his applications and revised plans accordingly.
- 43. Without cause, BIRMINGHAM subsequently rejected Plaintiff's application related to the windows on the second floor, demanding Plaintiff to now close off the windows completely. Plaintiff strongly objected. Closing off the windows would cost a significant amount of money and further delay Plaintiff's ability to sell the property. Again, these windows had been approved twice before and Plaintiff had already received a certificate of completion for the entire property.
- 44. Upset, frustrated, and losing more money, Plaintiff contacted the CITY's Board of Supervisors for help. The Board facilitated a meeting between Plaintiff and SFDBI.

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45. At the meeting, Plaintiff aired his grievances. Plaintiff presented evidence showing that the subject property had already received a certificate of completion and that the recent demands by SFDBI were unreasonable and excessive. Plaintiff was frustrated and wanted to know why SFDBI made him jump through more hoops after he had already secured a valid certificate of completion. DUFFY, SFDBI's Deputy Director, dismissed Plaintiff's concerns and ignored the validity of his claims, refusing to approve his plans or his applications. DUFFY demanded that the windows on the second floor be closed off completely. What's more, DUFFY, then expressed to Plaintiff during this meeting that he had no doubt that Plaintiff had spoken to the FBI concerning his dealings with CURRAN and SANTOS. Plaintiff was shocked and dismayed. The CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff was unequivocal at this point and DUFFY was not only ratifying and approving the unlawful conduct, he was spearheading it.

- of SFDBI and all of its employees. He was a final policymaker acting under the color of his authority and had the power to approve, deny, and/or overturn any decisions made by SFDBI employees concerning their "regulation" of the subject property to ensure conformance with CITY policies. All of the wrongful conduct complained of herein including, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a valid certificate of completion, was at the behest and/or endorsement of DUFFY.
- 47. DUFFY's job duties and responsibilities as Deputy Director included, without limitation:
- a. Planning, directing, and evaluating the work of SFDBI employees, including all Building Inspectors, who provide information regarding inspection services to the public, review plans and permits, and perform inspections in connection with the construction and modification of buildings or other structures, and of buildings under investigation for code violations in order to ensure that department policies and procedures are adhered to and the applicable codes, ordinances, and laws are properly enforced;

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Interpreting and explaining codes, related laws and ordinances which b. govern building construction in the City such as the building code, housing code, mechanical code, state building standards, appeal procedures, abatement process and permit processing to staff and others including architects, engineers, contractors, and the general public to ensure that the information concerning the department is disseminated accurately;

- Representing SFDBI at meetings, hearings, and in court by preparing c. evidence and/or appearing before such bodies as the Board of Supervisors, Building Inspection Commission, judicial committees, Access Appeals Commission, Board of Permit Appeals, Abatement Appeals Board, and Board of Examiners in order to testify or present information regarding code violation cases;
- Directing the preparation and maintenance of records and reports on d. abatement appeals board cases, statistical analyses, inspection activities, work orders, contracts, specifications, plans, cost estimates, emergency orders, and operational activities by assigning, reviewing, and revising when necessary, to ensure that such work is correct, complete, and in conformance with departmental policies and procedures;
- Reviewing complaints regarding inspection services, plan reviews, code interpretations, and/or code violations from property owners, general public, other City departments, and various civic groups by researching pertinent codes, ordinances, laws and conducting investigations, taking appropriate actions, and informing complainant of findings in order to clarify and resolve problems;
- f. Establishing inspection and operational procedures by reviewing existing policies and procedures and when necessary, revising or creating new procedures in order to effectively maximize staff and resources and/or conform to current laws, regulations, ordinances and codes regulating the construction and modification of buildings and other structures;
- Reviewing current codes, administrative bulletins and code rulings in order to inform staff of revisions and/or additions, and to provide management with input regarding the feasibility of such revisions or additions on current work processes and, if necessary, prepares recommendations for revisions or additions.

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48. Again, having no choice but to comply with SFDBI's demands, Plaintiff closed off the windows on the second floor completely, requiring, among other things, demolition, scaffolding, installation of new material, and painting. The additional work cost Plaintiff approximately \$30,000.

- 49. In or around October of 2021, approval of Plaintiff's application for an additional dwelling unit was transferred to HUGHEN, Senior Planner with the CITY's Planning department. HUGHEN, and then KWAITKOWSKA, Principal Planner with the CITY's Planning department, egregiously delayed the approval of the application for months on end, forcing Plaintiff to jump over more arbitrary hurdles. A process that should have taken a few weeks, took over seven (7) months before Plaintiff's initial application for the additional unit was approved in or around May of 2022.
- 50. During the pendency of Plaintiff's application for the additional dwelling unit, HUGHEN placed yet another baseless roadblock in front of Plaintiff. HUGHEN, citing to an erroneous ordinance and law, claimed that the driveway on the subject property was out of code and could not be used for off street parking anymore. Again, the driveway had been in existence since the property was built and had already been approved. This would place a significant limitation on the property and greatly affect its overall value. On-site parking for a single family home in San Francisco is essential. Plaintiff, after contacting the CITY attorney's office, provided HUGHEN with the applicable laws and ordinances showing that the driveway was code complaint. HUGHEN dismissed Plaintiff's pleas and demanded that he now apply for a variance. Plaintiff was truly at a loss.
- 51. Again, having no choice, Plaintiff complied with the CITY's demands. His applications for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway were subsequently approved in or around May of 2022 and he received the necessary permits.
- 52. At or around this time, Plaintiff entered into another agreement to sell the subject property and it again entered escrow. Although Plaintiff had not received a new certificate of completion, he needed to sell the property and was willing to do so at a discount. Selling the property without a certificate of completion significantly affected its value.

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In or around July of 2022, while the subject property was still in escrow, Plaintiff 53. was informed by SFDBI that his permit for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway were being revoked. SFDBI falsely claimed that the CITY's Planning department had mistakenly provided him these permits and that he actually needed approval from SFDBI as it was within their purview. They demanded Plaintiff submit new applications, new revised plans, and go through the entire process again. Plaintiff was shocked, confused, and defeated. The CITY's wrongful conduct was relentless. Unfortunately, the sale of the subject property fell through for a second time.

- Approximately six (6) months later, after another long, arbitrary, and arduous 54. process, Plaintiff was finally issued new permits by SFDBI in or around January of 2023 for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway. Plaintiff hoped that the CITY's retribution had concluded and he would now be able to obtain a final certificate of completion and sell the property accordingly. Although Plaintiff had obtained new permits, he still needed to go through additional inspections in order to receive the final certificate of completion.
- Unfortunately, the CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff and its unjustified taking of 55. his property continued and continues as of the filing of this Complaint. Although Plaintiff possesses valid permits, inspections have led to new, unfound, and vindictive violations concerning, among other things, the legality of the windows located on the first floor of the property. Windows that have been in existence since the property was built and approved many times before.
- 56. In or around February of 2023, Plaintiff was again forced to forgo additional revenue and enter into another agreement to sell the property without a certificate of completion. This is the third time the property has been in escrow. Due to the numerous abatements and notices of violation that remain on the property, the sale fell through in or around August of 2023.
- The CITY has intentionally and vindictively drawn out the renovation process for 57. the property for the past five (5) years. Plaintiff has lost a significant amount of money in lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.

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The CITY's conduct was intentional, punitive, and non-discretionary, causing 58. Plaintiff to sustain and to continue to sustain severe economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.

### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

### SLANDER OF TITLE

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporates herein by 59. reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick 60. Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- Defendants disparaged the quality of the subject property including, without 61. limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion.
- Defendants' statements were made to members of the public, including real estate 62. agents or brokers and prospective purchasers of the subject property.
- Defendants' statements were without privilege and/or justification as they were 63. false and done with the intention of suggesting that the subject property was unfit to be sold.
- 64. Defendants knew that their statements were false and/or acted with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the statements.
- Defendants knew or should have recognized that someone else might act or forbear 65. action in reliance on their statements.
- Defendants made their statements with the intent or reasonable belief that the 66. statements would cause financial loss to Plaintiff.
- Defendants' statements have placed an untenable cloud on the title to the subject 67. property, in that the property remains vacant and cannot be sold.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered direct 68. and immediate financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject

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property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also lost time and suffered inconvenience.

As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required 69. to retain counsel to bring an action to clear title to the subject property. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

### INVERSE CONDEMNATION

### (By Plaintiff against CITY and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by 70. reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 71. Article I, Section 19 of the California Constitution, prohibits the taking, including the temporary or permanent deprivation of private property, for a public use without just compensation, where such deprivation amounts to the abridgment or destruction, by reason of the actions for the government body, of the lawful rights of an individual to the possession, use, or enjoyment of his land. It has also been held that an undue restriction on the use of property is as much a taking for constitutional purposes as is an appropriation or destruction.
- At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick 72. Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- Defendants have unlawfully taken and/or damaged the subject property without 73. providing Plaintiff just compensation. Defendants have abridged and/or destructed Plaintiff's rights to the possession, use, and/or enjoyment of his land. Such conduct includes, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion.
- Defendants by their intentional conduct have sacrificed the economic interests of Plaintiff in order to benefit their own interests. Plaintiff should not be forced to bear these burdens for the benefit of the Defendants.

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Plaintiff alleges that these intentional actions of the Defendants constitute a direct, 75. substantial and peculiar burden on Plaintiff's property interests and a taking of his property without payment of just compensation in violation of the California Constitution.

- Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants' intentional actions against Plaintiff failed 76. to advance a legitimate state interest and deprived Plaintiff of the viable use and value of his property interest and caused the damages alleged herein.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered direct 77. and immediate financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required 78. to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

### INTENTIONAL INTERFERENCE WITH PROSPECTIVE ECONOMIC RELATIONS

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by 79. reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick 80. Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- Plaintiff established an economic relationship with various real estate agents or 81. brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers related to the property that would have resulted in an economic benefit to Plaintiff by leading to the sale of the subject property.
  - 82. Defendants knew of the relationship.
- Defendants engaged in conduct intended to falsely signal to the real estate agents or 83. brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers that there were issues with the subject property so as to affect their decision to proceed with a purchase of the property, encouraging them instead to avoid any consideration or purchase of the property. The subject property has gone into escrow on

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multiple occasions and has failed to sell due to Defendants' actions in disrupting the relationship.

- By engaging in this conduct, Defendants intended to disrupt the economic 84. relationship between Plaintiff and the real estate agents or brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers.
  - The relationship was disrupted. 85.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered 86. financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required 87. to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by 88. Plaintiff.

### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### **VIOLATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS, 42 U.S.C. § 1983**

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 89. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- Every person who, under color of any statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or 90. usage, of any State or Territory or the District of Columbia, subjects, or causes to be subjected, any citizen of the United States or other person within the jurisdiction thereof to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution and laws, shall be liable to the party injured in an action at law, suit in equity, or other proper proceeding for redress.
- Plaintiff had discussions with the FBI concerning their criminal investigation into the corruptive practices of CURRAN, SANTOS, and the Defendants.

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Plaintiff refused to participate in the ongoing scheme that was being perpetrated 92. against him by CURRAN, SANTOS, and the Defendants, including, without limitation, firing Santos as the structural engineer on his renovation project for the subject property.

- Defendants were aware and/or were under the belief that Plaintiff had discussions 93. with the FBI and were aware and/or were under the belief that he refused to participate in the ongoing scheme.
- 94. Defendants acted under color of local ordinance and law by using their authority to retaliate against Plaintiff and deprive him of his right to freedom of speech guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. Defendants' unlawful actions included, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, revoking a certificate of completion, and making disparaging statements related to the subject property.
- 95. Defendants intentionally targeted the subject property because of Plaintiff's property interests and rights therein.
- 96. Defendants' actions were in direct response to and meant to cause the deprivation of Plaintiff's exercise of his right of freedom of speech.
- Defendants' actions were in response to Plaintiff's statements concerning matters 97. of public concern.
  - 98. Plaintiff was harmed as a result of Defendants' actions.
- 99. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

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### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 101. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 102. Defendants acted outrageously in committing the acts alleged herein. Defendants abused their positions of authority to retaliate against and harass Plaintiff.
- 103. Defendants intended to cause, or acted with reckless disregard that they would cause, Plaintiff severe emotional distress.
- 104. Plaintiff has suffered emotional distress including, without limitation, shock, anxiety, stress, depression, humiliation, irreparable and physical manifestations of such distress as a result of Defendants' actions.
- 105. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered severe injuries and sustained economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.
- 106. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- 107. Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by Plaintiff.

### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### **NEGLIGENCE**

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 108. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
  - 109. Defendants were negligent in committing the acts or omissions alleged herein.
- 110. Defendants owed a duty of care to Plaintiff to act in a reasonable, professional, honest, and timely manner.

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111. Defendants breached the duty of care owed to Plaintiff.

As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions or inactions, Plaintiff has 112. suffered severe injuries and sustained economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.

- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required 113. to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by 114. Plaintiff.

### SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### DECLARATORY RELIEF

### (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by 115. reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- Defendants' refusal to, without limitation, release frivolous code enforcement liens, release notices of violation, release abatement orders, issue permits, and issue a certificate of completion has placed an untenable cloud on the title to the subject property, in that the property remains vacant and cannot be sold.
- An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Defendants and Plaintiff in connection with the matters alleged herein.
- No adequate remedy other than that herein prayed for exists by which the rights of the parties may be determined. A judicial determination resolving this actual controversy is necessary and appropriate at this time.

### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as follows:

For general damages (also known as non-economic damages), according to proof; 1.

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Case 3:23-cv-03579-SI Document 28 Filed 11/09/23 Page 21 of 22 For special damages (also known as economic damages), according to proof; 1 2. For compensatory damages, according to proof; 3. 2 3 4. For treble damages pursuant to Civil Code § 3345; For an order enjoining Defendants from violating Plaintiff's constitutional rights; 5. 4 5 For injunctive relief; 6. For punitive damages, according to proof; 6 7. For prejudgment interest and pretrial interest, according to proof; 7 8. 9. For attorneys' fees and costs, according to proof; 8 9 For damages for Plaintiff's other losses, according to proof; 10. For all statutorily allowed damages; and 10 11. 12. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper. 11 12 CALLAHAN & BLAINE 13 CALLAHAN & BLAINE, APLC Dated: November 9, 2023 14 15 /s/ Jonathan W. Hornberger Javier H. van Oordt 16 Jonathan W. Hornberger Attorneys for Plaintiff Patrick Gallagher 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 - 21 -Second Amended Complaint - Case No.: 23-cv-03579-SI

Case 3:23-cv-03579-SI Document 28 Filed 11/09/23 Page 22 of 22 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** Plaintiff demands a jury trial on each and all of the causes of action set forth in this Complaint. Dated: November 9, 2023 CALLAHAN & BLAINE, APLC By: /s/ Jonathan W. Hornberger Javier H. van Oordt Jonathan W. Hornberger Attorneys for Plaintiff Patrick Gallagher

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# Exhibit C

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OWNER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT



Mark Farrell, Mayor Tom C. Hui, S.E., C.B.O., Director

### PROPERTY OWNER'S PACKAGE

### Disclosures & Forms for Owner-Builders Applying for Construction Permits

IMPORTANT! NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

Dear F	roperty	Owner:
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An application for a building permit has been submitted in your name listing yourself as the builder of the property 200 NAME improvements specified at \_\_\_\_\_

We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder. We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each. provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated. An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

### OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

- 1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "OwnerBuilder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.
- 2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are responsible for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.
- 3. I understand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.
- 4. Lunderstand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their license numbers on permits and contracts.
- 5. I understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.
- 6. I understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers' compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.
- 7. I understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

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Excluding the Notice to Property Owner, the execution of which hereby authorize the following person(s) to act as my agent(s) necessary to obtain an Owner-Builder Permit for my project. Scope of Construction Project (or Description of Work):	n I understand is my personal respo to apply for, sign, and file the docu	onsibility, I ments
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I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the property owner out the above information and certify its accuracy. Note: A cop or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be property owner's signature.	y of the owner's driver's license, fo	orm notarization,
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# Exhibit D

### Case 3:23-cv-03579-SI NOTICE OF VIOLATION Page 243 of 367 CIE of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy 2 COP **NUMBER: 201721241** ARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION NOTICE: 1 Cify and County of San Francisco **DATE: 04-JAN-18** 49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA ADDRESS: 200 NAPLES ST OCCUPANCY/USE: () BLOCK: 6008 If checked, this information is based upons site-observation only. Further research may indicate that legal use is different. If so, a revised Notice of Violation will be issued. PHONE #: --OWNER/AGENT: HILLSTOCK LOUIS & IDA **MAILING** HILLSTOCK LOUIS & IDA **ADDRESS** 200 NAPLES ST SAN FRANCISCO CA 94112 PERSON CONTACTED @ SITE: HILLSTOCK LOUIS & IDA PHONE #: --VIOLATION DESCRIPTION: CODE/SECTION# 103A **■ WORK WITHOUT PERMIT** 106A.4.7 ADDITIONAL WORK-PERMIT REQUIRED 106A.4.4; 106A.3.7 EXPIRED OR CANCELLED PERMIT PA#: 102A.1 SEE ATTACHMENTS ✓ UNSAFE BUILDING A complaint investigation revealed a building without proper weatherization and no guardrail at rear deck. Code sec: 102A **CORRECTIVE ACTION:** ✓ STOP ALL WORK SFBC 104.2.4 (WITH PLANS) A copy of This Notice Must Accompany the Permit Application **✓** FILE BUILDING PERMIT WITHIN 7 DAYS ✓ OBTAIN PERMIT WITHIN 14 DAYS AND COMPLETE ALL WORK WITHIN 30 DAYS, INCLUDING FINAL INSPECTION SIGNOFF. NO PERMIT REQUIRED CORRECT VIOLATIONS WITHIN DAYS. YOU FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE NOTICE(S) DATED , THEREFORE THIS DEPT. HAS INITIATED ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE WILL CAUSE ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS TO BEGIN. SEE ATTACHMENT FOR ADDITIONAL WARNINGS. Obtain a building permit with Planning Department approval to mitigate unsafe conditions. INVESTIGATION FEE OR OTHER FEE WILL APPLY

9x FEE (WORK W/O PERMIT AFTER 9/1/60) 2x FEE (WORK EXCEEDING SCOPE OF PERMIT)

BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

DIVISION: BID

**REINSPECTION FEE \$** 

VALUE OF WORK PERFORMED W/O PERMITS \$

DISTRICT:

OTHER:

PHONE # 628-652-3636

By:(Inspectors's Signature) \_

APPROX. DATE OF WORK W/O PERMIT

CONTACT INSPECTOR: Carl W Weaver



(WORK W/O PERMIT PRIOR TO 9/1/60)

✓ NO PENALTY



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### of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy

DEPARTMENT OF FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

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Fursuant to SHBC, 107A, 5 and 106A, 4.7 investigation fees are charged for work begun or performed without permits or for Work exceeding the scope of permits. Such fees may be appealed to the Board of Permit Appeals within 15 days of permit issuance, at 49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1475 (14th Floor). (628) 652-1150.

WARNING: Failure to take immediate action as required to correct the above violations will result in abatement proceedings by the Department of Building Inspection. If an Order of Abatement is recorded against this property, the owner will be billed or the property will be liened for all costs incurred in the code enforcement process from the posting of the first "Notice of Violation" until all costs are paid, SFBC 102A, 2 & 110A.

WARNING: Section 204 of the San Francisco Housing Code provides for immediate fines of \$100 for each instance of initial non-compliance, followed by \$200 fines per violation for the second instance of non-compliance, up to a maximum of \$7,500 per building. This section also provides for Issuance of a criminal charge as a misdemeanor for each violation, resulting in fines of not less than \$1,000 per day or six months' imprisonment or both.

WARNING: Anyone who derives rental income from housing determined by the Department of Building Inspection to be substanded cannot deduct from state personal income tax and bank and corporate income tax interest, depreciation or taxes attributable to such substandard structure. If correction work is not completed or being diligently, expeditiously and continuously prosecuted after six (6) months from the date of this notice, notification will be sent to the Franchise Tax Board as provided in Section 17264(6) of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

WARNING: Section 103A of the San Francisco Building Code provides for civil fines of up to \$500 per day for any person who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or opposes the execution of any provisions of this code. This section also provides for misdemeanor fines, if convicted, of up to \$500 and/or imprisonment up to six months for each separate offense for every day such offense occurs-

De acuerdo a las Secciones 107A 5 y 106A 4.7 de el Codigo de Construcción, de Edificios de San Francisco, gastos de Investigación serán cobrados por trabajo empezado o realizado sin los debidos permisos o por trabajo que exceda el limite estipulado en los permisos. Dichos cobros pueden ser apelados ante la Junta de Apelaciones de Permisos (Board of Permit Appeals) dentro de los primeros quince dias de haberse obtenido el permiso. Las apelaciones se hacen en el 49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1475 (14th Floor), telefono (628) 652-1150.

ADVERTENCIA: Si no cumple con las acciones immediatas requeridas para corregir las infracciones, el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios tendra el derecho de Iniciar el proceso de miligación. Si una Orden de Miligación es registrada contra dicha propiedad, los gastos incurridos durante el proceso de aplicación del código, desde la primera puesta del Aviso de Infracción hasta que todos los gastos esten pagados, se le cobraran al dueno del edificio o la propiedad sera embargada para recuperar dichos gastos. Referencia a la Sección 102A.2 y 110A de el Código de Construcción de Edificios.

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 204 de el Código de Vivienda de San Francisco permite que se multe inmediatamente \$100 por cada primer caso de inconformidad, seguida por una multa, de \$200 por cada segunda infracción de incanformidad, aumentando hasta un maximo de \$7,500 por cada edificio. Esta Sección tambien permite obtener cargos criminates como delito menor, resultando en multas de no menos de \$1,000 diarios ó 6 meses de encarcelamiento o ambas sanciones.

ADVERTENCIA: Cualquier persona que reciba renta:por una vivienda que haya sido declarada que no satisface las normas requeridas por el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios, no puede deducir del estado intereses personales, de banco o empresa, depreciacion o taxes atribuídos sobre dicha estructura. Si el trabajo de reparación no se termina o esta diligentemente, rapidamente y contua mente acusado despues de seisic) meses de la fecha de este aviso, se le enviara una notificación a la Junta de Concesion de Impuestos (Franchise Tax Board) de acuerdo a la Sección 1264(c) del Código de Ingresos e Impuestos (Revenue and Taxation Code).

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 103A de el Código de edificios de San Francisco impone muitas civiles hasta de \$500 por cada dia a cualquier persona que infrinja, desobedezca, omita, descuide, se niege a cumplir, resiste o se opone a la ejecución de las provisiones de este codigo. Esta sección tambien impone multas per delito megor, si es declarado culpable, de hasta \$500 o encarcelamiento de hasta 6 meses, o ambas sanciones, por cada una de las ofensas y por cada dia que dicha ofensa occura

Sang-ayon sa SFBC 107A.5 at 106A.4.7 ang bayad sa pagsusuri ay sisingilin sa mga gusaling naumpisahan na o ginawa na walang permit o sa mga gawaing tabis sa sakop ng permit. Ang gayong singil ay maaring iapela sa Board of Permit Appeals sa loob ng 15 na araw mula sa pag-isyu ng permit sa 49 South Van Ness Ave., suite 1475 (14th palapag), (628)652-1150.

BABALA: Ang kabiguan na gumawa ng aksiyon tulad ng kinakailangan upang iwasto ang mga nasabing paglabag ay magreresulta sa paglitis ng abatement ng Kagawaran ng Inspeksyon ng Gusali. Kung meron Order of Abatement ang naitala laban sa isang arl-arlan, ang may-arl ay sisingilin o di kaya ang an-arlan ay gagamitin na lien sa lahat ng mga gastos na natamo sa proseso ng pagpapatupad mula sa unang "Paunawa sa Paglabag" hanggang sa lahat ng gastos ay mabayaran, SFBC 102A,2 & 110A

BABALA: Ang Seksyon 204 ng Housing Code ng San Francisco ay nagtatakda ng agad-agad na multa na \$100 sa bawat halimbawa ng unang hindi pagsunod, at susundan ng multa na \$200 sa bawat paglabag sa pangalawang hindi pagsunod, hanggang sa sukdulan na \$7,500 sa bawat gusali. Ang seksyon na ito ay itinatakda na magsasampa rin ng kasong kriminal bilang isang misdemeanor sa bawat paglabag at magreresulta sa multa na hindi bababa ng \$1,000 sa bawat araw o di kaya sa anim na buwan na pagkabilanggo o parehong ipapataw.

BABALA: Sinumang kumikita sa pag-upa ng pabahay na tinukoy ng Kagawaran ng inspeksyon ng Gusali na substandard, ay hindi maaring ibawas ang ganoong kita sa buwis sa estado ng kitang personal, at gayundin sa buwis na kita sa Interes sa bangko at korporaeyon, at sa depresasyon o mga buwis na mailugnay sa gusaling substandard. Kung ang Gawain sa pagwawasto ay hindi nakipeto o hindi masigasig, mabilis at tuloy-tuloy ang paggawa matapos ang anim (6) na buwan mula sa petsa nitong paunawa, ay magpapadala ng abiso sa Franchise Tax Board na ilinakda sa Seksyon 17264(6) ng Revenue and Taxatlon code.

BABALA: Ang Seksyon 103A ng Buliding Code ng San Francisco ay nagtatakda ng mga multang sibli hanggang sa \$500 sa bawat araw sa sinumang lumabag, sumuway, magtanggal, magpabaya o tumangging sumunod o di kaya sumalungat sa pagpatupad ng mga probisyon nitong code. Nagpapataw din itong seksyon ng multang misdemeanor kapag nahatulan, ng hanggang sa \$500 at o di kaya anim na buwan na pagkabilanggo sa bawat magkahiwalay na pagkasala para sa bawat araw na nangyari ang ganoong pagkasala.

根據《三藩市建築物條例》第107.5條款和第108.4.7條款,對未經許可的建築工程或者工程超過許可証範圍的檢查,將會收取檢查費用。對該資用可以作出上訴,可以在許可證整出的15天之內,同"上訴委員會"(Board of Appeals)作出上訴。上訴委員會地址:49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1478 (14th Floor), 霉話: (628) 652-1150。

置告:如果沒有立即采取行動更正以上的堡例情況,可能會引致視字檢查局展開 執法行動。如果執法命令正式紀錄於該物業,業主可能會收到展單,或者該物業 曾被抵押,用於支付從張貼第一張"建例通知"開始,在執法過程當中所產生的 所有與用,直至所有與用付馬縣止。 《三緒市建築物條例》第102.2條款和第110條款。

三藩市房屋條例第204條對最初的建例會立即處以每項100元的罰款。 接下來會對第二次的遊例處以每項200元的罰款,最高可以對每座逐驟物處以 7,500元的罰款,該條例還可以對每項違例處以經觀罪行的刑事檢控,可處以每 日最少1,000元的罰款或6個月的監禁,或兩害並罰。

警告:任何從禮字檢查局認定為低於標準的房屋中獲取租金收入的個人,對於該低於標準的建築結構,將不能用於減免州的個人所得稅和銀行以及企業的所得稅利息、折舊或猶則於該房屋的稅損。如果在該通知日期的6個月之後,更正工程尚未完成,或者沒有努力、快速和遙續進行有關工程,有關遙知將會根據 《收入及稅務條例》第17264(6)條款壽給加州平稅委員當。

警告:三層市建築物條例》第103條款可給予每天最高可至500元的行政罰款, 對任何違反、不應從、週湯、蔬忽或拒絕遵守或反對執行該條例的任何條款。 該條款可給予輕衡罪行的罰款,一經定罪,可以對每一項單獨的違例,違例期間 的每一天,應於最高500元和/或最高6個月的監禁。

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# Exhibit E

OWNER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT

4.2

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY



Mark Farrell, Mayor Tom C. Hui, S.E., C.B.O., Director

### PROPERTY OWNER'S PACKAGE

Disclosures & Forms for Owner-Builders Applying for Construction Permits

IMPORTANT! NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

Dear Property Owner:					- 4
An application for a building pern improvements specified at	nit has been si	ubmitted in your r	name listir	ng yourself as th	ne builder of the proper
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We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder. We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated. An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

### OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

- \_\_\_\_\_1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "OwnerBuilder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.
- 2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are *responsible* for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.
- \_\_\_\_\_3. I understand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.
- \_\_\_\_\_4. I understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their license numbers on permits and contracts.
- 5. I understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.
- 6. I understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers' compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.
- 7. I understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

1660 Mission Street – San Francisco CA 94103 Office (415) 558-6088 – FAX (415) 558-6401 Website: www.sfdbi.org

Excluding the Notice to Property Owner, the execution of which I understand is my personal responsibility, I hereby authorize the following person(s) to act as my agent(s) to apply for, sign, and file the documents necessary to obtain an Owner-Builder Permit for my project.

Scope of Construction Project (or Description of Work):

Project Location or Address:

Name of Authorized Agent:

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the property owner for the address listed above and I personally filled out the above information and certify its accuracy. Note: A copy of the owner's driver's license, form notarization, or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's signature.

Property Owner's Signature:

Date:

Date:

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# Exhibit F



### **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy

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O BUILDING INSPECTIO

### NOTICE OF VIOLATION

of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy

Pursuant to \$1040 hand, 332.3 investigation fees are charged for work begun or performed without permits or for work exceeding the scope of permits. Such fees may be appealed to the Board of Permit Appeals within 15 days of permit issuance, at 875 Stevenson St., 4th floor. 554-6720

WARNING: Failure to take immediate action as required to correct the above violations will result in abatement proceedings by the Department of Building Inspection. If an Order of Abstement is recorded against this property, the owner will be billed or the property will be liened for all costs incurred in the code enforcement process from the posting of the first "Notice of Violation" until all costs are paid. SFBC 203(b) & 332.3

WARNING: Section 204 of the San Francisco Housing Code provides for immediate times of \$100 for each instance of initial non-compliance, followed by \$200 fines per violation for the second instance of non-compliance, up to a maximum of \$7,500 per building. This section also provides for issuance of a criminal charge as a misdemeaner for each violation, resulting in fines of not less than \$1,000 per day or six months' imprisonment or both.

WARNING: Anyone who derives rental income from housing determined by the Department of Building Inspection to be substandard cannot deduce from state personal income tax and bank and corporate income tax interest, depreciation or taxes attributable to such substandard structure. If correction work is not completed or being diligently, expeditiously and continuously prosecuted after six (6) months from the date of this notice, notification will be sent to the Franchise Tax Board as provided in Section 17284(c) of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

WARNING: Section 205(a) of the San Francisco Building Code provides for civil lines of up to \$500 per day for any person who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or opposes the execution of any provisions of this code. This section also provides for misdemeanor fines, if convicted, of up to \$500 and/or imprisonment up to six months for each separate offense for every day such offense occurs.

De acuerdo a las Secciones 304(e) y 332.3 de el Código de Construcción de Edificios de San Francisco, gastos de investigación serán cobrados por trabajo empezado o realizado sin los debidos permisos o por trabajo que exceda el límite estipulado en los permisos. Dichos cobros pueden ser apelados ante la Junta de Apelaciones de Permisos (Board of Permit Appeals) dentro de los primeros quince días de haberse obtenido el permiso. Las apelaciones se hacen en el 875 de la calle Stevenson, cuarto piso, teléfono 554-6720.

ADVERTENCIA: Si no cumple con las acciones immediatas requeridas para corregir las infracciones, el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios tendrá el derecho de iniciar el proceso de mitigación. Si una Orden de Mitigación es registrada contra dicha propiedad, los gestos incurridos durante el proceso de aplicación del código, desde la primera puesta del Aviso de Infracción hasta que todos los gastos esten pagados, se le cooraran al dueño del edificio o la propiedad sera embargada para recuperar dichos gastos. Referencia a la Sección 203(b) y 332.3 de el Código de Construcción de Edificios.

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 264 de el Código de Vivienda de San Francisco permite que se multe inmediatamente \$100 por cada primer caso de inconformidad, seguida por una multa de \$200 por cada segunda infracción de inconformidad, aumentando hasta un máximo de \$7,500 por cada adilitati Esta Sección también permite obtener cargos criminales como delito menor, resultando en multas de no menos de \$1,000 diários ó 6 missas de encarcelamiento o ambas sanciones.

ADVERTENCIA: Cualquier persona que reciba renta por una vivienda que haya sido declarada que no satisface las normas requeridas por el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios, no puede deducir ciel estado intereses personales, de banco o empresa, depreciación o taxes atribuidos sobre dicha estructura. Si el trabajo de reparación no se termina o está diligentemente, rápidamente y contuamente acusado después de seis (6) meses de la fecha de este aviso, se le enviará una notificación a la Junta de Concesión de Impuestos (Franchise Tax Board) de acuerdo a la Sección 1264(c) del Código de Ingresos e Impuestos (Revenue and Taxation Code).

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 205(a) de el Código de Edicios de San Francisco impone multas civiles hasta de \$500 por cada dia a cualquier persona que infrinja, desobedezca, umita, descuide, rehusa cumplir, resista o se opone la la ejecución de las provisiones de este codigo. Esta sección también impone multas por delito menor, si es declarado culpable, de hasta \$500 o encarcelamiento de hasta 6 meses, o ambas sanciones, por cada una de las ofenaas y por cada día que dicha ofensa occura.

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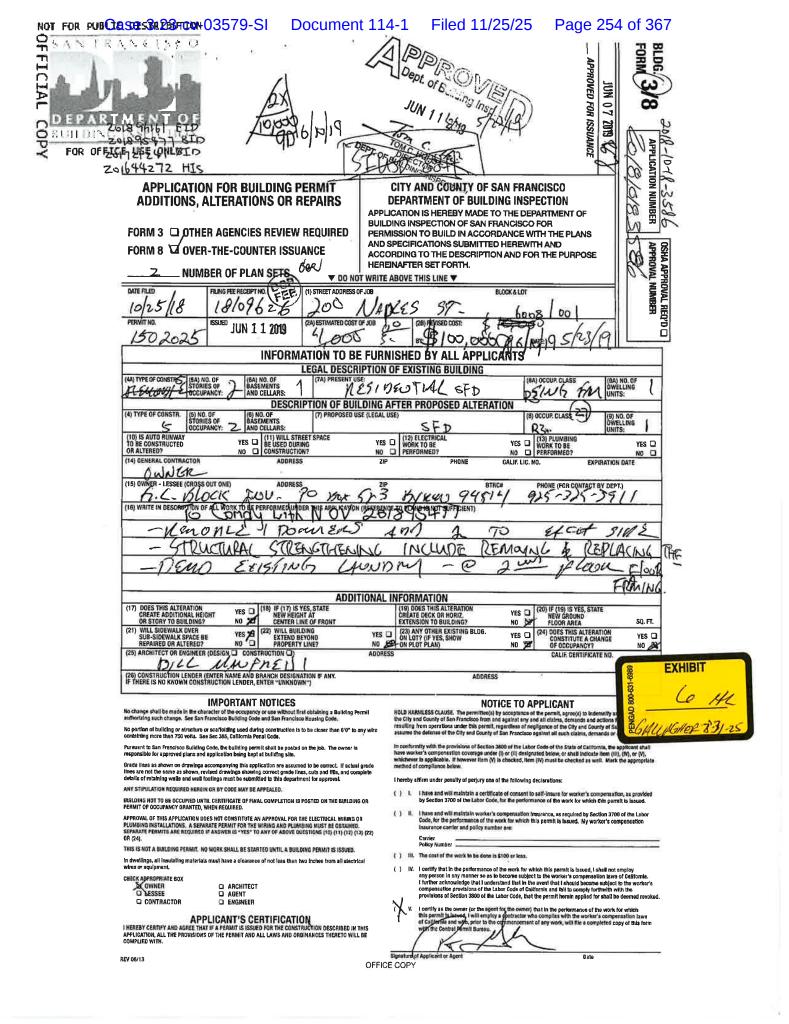
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警告: 《三樹市房職法規》(鄭 SFRC) 第 204(6) 項額款規定: 對每一總章初至者立即將 被刺数 100 元·二次重犯卷網數 200 元·傳輸標率的最高限數可建 7,500 元·此項法限差 銀空對每一座掌握排借可提出刑事整合,每日最高系統可讓 1,000 元,某人和監察六個 **警告:任何人是過出租房服装得收入、函款房庭已被除售等当局定局低於規定銀準省・不** 能從加州個人所得稅、銀行和公司所得稅和息。以及與級抵於規定蘇準的建築有關的新習 或就於中扣除從證。如果在此是自公布六個月後,改正工程沒有完成,或者沒有數值。因 沒有效地遊遊遊行・我們將根據《國家稅您技規》(即 Revease & Textrice Code) 鄭 1264 (c) 功務款,最知识州稅務委員會 (The Pranchise Tax Board)。

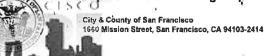
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## Exhibit G



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#### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Application Number Fees Paid (Plancheck Receipt)

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#### SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITY FEES

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#### SCHOOL FACILITY FEE PAYMENT PROCEDURE

at Gan Francisco Department of Building Inspection, 1660 Mission Street, S.F. CA 94103

#### D CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITY FEES FORM

1. New Construction, additions, conversions and alteration projects - This Certification of Payment of School Facility Fee Form 100 For in Editors in Edit

- 2. Statutory Exemptions (Section III(2)- Residential Additions of 500 Square Feet or Less) For projects that conform, school fee payment is not required. However, this Form 100 is required to document the exemption status of conforming projects. On the front of Form 100, Plan Checker shall state the Total Area Square Feet, initial, and write NO SCHOOL FEE under the SFUSD Fee column. Developer/Owner/authorized agent shall complete Sections I and II, but does not need to sign Section IV. The form submittal process follows steps outlined in accordance with item 1 or 2 below, whichever is applicable. However, there is no fee payment to be collected.
- 3. Other Statutory Exemptions listed on Form 100A For projects that conform, school fee payment is not required. However, both this Form 100 and SFUSD Certification of Statutory Exemption-Form 100A are required to document exempt status of conforming projects. The Developer/Owner and Plan Checker shall both complete Form 100. Property owner shall complete and sign Form 100A. Both forms 100 & 100A shall then be submitted to SFUSD for review and approval, following the applicable submittal process of step 1 or 2 below.

#### WHEN SCHOOL FACILITY FEE PAYMENT IS REQUIRED

- Submitted Plan Review Applicant completes Sections I & II of this Form 100 and submits to Central Permit Bureau (CPB) clerk in addition to the submittal documents and plans. Under plan review, Plan Checker completes Part III, staples a copy with the application and places the completed form in the Plan Review Section's (PRS) 2<sup>nd</sup> floor SFUSD collection box. The forms will be delivered to 1<sup>st</sup> floor CPB for emailing to SFUSD for fee calculation and approval.
- Over-the-Counter Plan Review (OTC) Applicant completes Sections I & II and submits to the OTC Plan Checker. During plan review, Plan Checker completes Section III, staples a copy with the application and places another copy in the OTC 5<sup>th</sup> floor SFUSD collection box. The forms will be delivered to 1<sup>st</sup> floor CPB for emailing to SFUSD. The applicant retains the submittal documents and completes the review process with the appropriate review stations and agencies. Even if all agency approvals are secured, applicant cannot pay for the permit until the form has been processed and approved by SFUSD.
- 3. Approval of SFUSD Form SFUSD calculates the fee, approves the form and emails it back to CPB. CPB will then update the Permit Tracking System (PTS) school fee payment status under the Permit Application No. (PA#).
- Status Check for School Fee Calculation Applicant may call CPB at 415/558-6070 to verify the status of the SFUSD school fee
  payment approval process. Alternatively, applicant can check the status on the Permit Tracking System (PTS) at <a href="www.sfdbi.org">www.sfdbi.org</a>. To
  conduct the web search the Building Permit Application No. will be required for input.
- 5. Payment of School Fee for Submitted Plan Review School fees will be collected by CPB as part of the building permit payment process. At time of fee payment, applicant signs Form 100, Section IV.
- 6. Payment of School Fee for OTC Plan Review Applicant can go to 1<sup>st</sup> floor CPB to get a copy of the SFUSD approved Form 100 after SFUSD has returned the form to CPB (see item 4 above). Applicant takes Form 100 and the approved permit documents, which have been in applicant's possession, to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor OTC cashier. School fees will be collected as part of the building permit payment process. At time of fee payment, applicant signs Form 100, Section IV.
- 7. Disagreements over Area Calculation for Submitted Plan Reviews Disagreements and disputes shall be addressed prior to payment of the building permit fees. When plans have already been routed to CPB for permit issuance, request that the permit documents be re-routed from CPB to the Permit Processing Center (PPC) located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Contact the Plan Checker for a re-check appointment to review the area calculations. If no resolution is reached, applicant may make an appointment with the Technical Services Division (TSD) on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor to request a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion. All permit documents shall remain in the possession of DBI staff. PRS will internally route plans to TSD for review.
- Disagreements over Area Calculation for OTC Reviews Disagreements and disputes for OTC projects shall be addressed with the Plan Checker. Applicant may request a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion from an OTC supervisor on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor.
- Refund of School Fee If a refund is required because the project is cancelled or the project scope and calculated area is reduced, CPB shall e-mail the revised FORM 100 to SFUSD. SFUSD will confirm that payment has been received prior to issuing a refund. Applicant may call San Francisco Unified School District, Real Estate & Permit office at (415) 241-6090 to check the refund status.
- 10. Additional School Fee for Commercial/Industrial Projects—Projects that increase the calculated area after permit issuance will pay additional School Fees for the added area only. Applicant and Plan Checker shall complete a new Form 100. CPB shall e-mail the new FORM 100 and supporting documentation to SFUSD for approval (see #3 above). CPB will collect the additional fee as part of the building permit payment process.
- 11. Additional School Fee for Residential Projects:
  - a. Exceeding 500 Sq. Ft. of habitable area originally Projects that increase the calculated habitable area after permit issuance shall pay additional School Fees for the added habitable area only. Applicant and Plan Checker shall complete a new Form 100. CPB shall e-mail the new FORM 100 to SFUSD for approval (see #3 above). CPB will collect the additional fee as part of the building permit payment process
  - b. Not Exceeding 500 Sq. Ft. of habitable area originally (statutory exemption) Projects that increase the calculated habitable area after permit issuance shall pay School Fees for the total habitable area (once it exceeds 500 Sq. Ft. & it no longer qualifies for statutory exempt status). In cases when the original plus added calculated habitable area together still does not exceed 500 Sq. Ft. they continue to qualify for statutory exempt status and no fee will be collected. In call cases, a new Form 100 shall be completed by applicant and Plan Checker and processed by SFUSD. CPB will collect the School Fee only when applicable.



London N. Breed, Mayor Tom C. Hui, S.E. C.B.B., Director

PERMIT APPLICATION #:

## PROPERTY OWNER'S PACKAGE

Disclosures & Forms for Owner-Builders Applying for Construction Permits

#### **IMPORTANT!** NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

An application for a building permit has been submitted in your name listing yourself as the builder of the property improvements specified at We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder. We will not issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated. An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

#### OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

1. I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "Owner-Builder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. l, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.

12/1 understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are responsible for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.

3. Lunderstand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own,

4.) understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their license numbers on permits and contracts.

5. understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.

6) understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers' compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.

L) understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

> 1660 Mission Street - San Francisco CA 94103 Office (415) 558-6088 - FAX (415) 558-6401 Website: www.sfdbi.org

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I am the property owner for the address listed above and I personally filled out the above information and certify its accuracy. Note: A copy of the owner's driver's license, form notarization, or other verification acceptable to the agency is required to be presented when the permit is issued to verify the property owner's

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signature.

Property Owner's Signature:

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## Exhibit H

#### CASE 3.23-cv-03579-SI NOTICE OF VIOLATION Page 262 of 367 OFFICIAL of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy COP ARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION NOTICE: 1 **NUMBER: 202175602** Ciff and County of San Francisco **DATE: 17-MAY-21** 49 South Van Ness Ave. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA ADDRESS: 200 NAPLES ST OCCUPANCY/USE: R-3 (RESIDENTIAL- 1 & 2 UNIT DWELLINGS, TOWNHOUSESBLOCK: 6008 If checked, this information is based upons site-observation only. Further research may indicate that legal use is different. If so, a revised Notice of Violation will be issued. OWNER/AGENT: MADISON TRUST CO FBO PATRICK PHONE #: --**MAILING** MADISON TRUST CO FBO PATRIC **ADDRESS** GALLAGHER PATRICK **PO BOX 523** 94514 **BYRON CA** PERSON CONTACTED @ SITE: MADISON TRUST CO FBO PATRICK P PHONE #: --VIOLATION DESCRIPTION: CODE/SECTION# 103A ── WORK WITHOUT PERMIT 106A.4.7 ADDITIONAL WORK-PERMIT REQUIRED ✓ EXPIRED OR CANCELLED PERMIT PA#: 106A.4.4; 106A.3.7 102A.1 UNSAFE BUILDING SEE ATTACHMENTS Research in response to a complaint for the above addres has revealed that P.A. 201810183586 has expired without obtaining all the necessary sign offs to complete the permit. Code/section SFBC 106A.4.4 Monthly monitoring fee applies. Code/Section: SFBC 110A, Table 1A-K **CORRECTIVE ACTION:** (WITH PLANS) A copy of This Notice Must Accompany the Permit Application SIGNOFF. NO PERMIT REQUIRED CORRECT VIOLATIONS WITHIN DAYS. YOU FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE NOTICE(S) DATED , THEREFORE THIS DEPT. HAS INITIATED ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS.

STOP ALL WORK SFBC 104.2.4 FILE BUILDING PERMIT WITHIN 15 DAYS ☑ OBTAIN PERMIT WITHIN 15 DAYS AND COMPLETE ALL WORK WITHIN 90 DAYS, INCLUDING FINAL INSPECTION FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE WILL CAUSE ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS TO BEGIN. SEE ATTACHMENT FOR ADDITIONAL WARNINGS. Obtain a building permit to renew P.A. 201810183586. Obtain all necessary sign offs from District inspector to complete permit. At time of inspection building inspector to investigate remainder of complaint-illegal change of use. State on P.A. to comply with NOV 202175602. INVESTIGATION FEE OR OTHER FEE WILL APPLY 9x FEE (WORK W/O PERMIT AFTER 9/1/60) 2x FEE (WORK EXCEEDING SCOPE OF PERMIT) NO PENALTY OTHER: **REINSPECTION FEE \$** (WORK W/O PERMIT PRIOR TO 9/1/60) APPROX. DATE OF WORK W/O PERMIT VALUE OF WORK PERFORMED W/O PERMITS \$ BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION CONTACT INSPECTOR: Thomas D Keane PHONE # 628-652-3447 DIVISION: BID DISTRICT:

By:(Inspectors's Signature)

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Fursuant to SEBC 107A 5 and 105A 4.7 investigation fees are charged for work begun or performed without permits or for Work exceeding the scope of permits. Such fees may be appealed to the Board of Permit Appeals within 15 days of permit issuance, at 49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1475 (14th Floor), (628) 652-1150.

WARNING: Failure to take immediate action as required to correct the above violations will result in abatement proceedings by the Department of Building Inspection. If an Order of Abatement is recorded against this property, the owner will be billed or the property will be liened for all costs incurred in the code enforcement process from the posting of the first "Notice of Violation" until all costs are paid. SFBC 102A, 2 & 110A.

WARNING: Section 204 of the San Francisco Housing Code provides for immediate fines of \$100 for each instance of initial non-compliance, followed by \$200 fines per violation for the second instance of non-compliance, up to a maximum of \$7,500 per building. This section also provides for issuance of a criminal charge as a misdemeanor for each violation, resulting in fines of not less than \$1,000 per day or six months' imprisonment or both.

WARNING: Anyone who derives rental income from housing determined by the Department of Building Inspection to be substandard cannot deduct from state personal income tax and bank and corporate income tax interest, depreciation or taxes attributable to such substandard structure. If correction work is not completed or being diligently, expeditiously and continuously prosecuted after six (6) months from the date of this notice, notification will be sent to the Franchise Tax Board as provided in Section 17264(6) of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

WARNING: Section 103A of the San Francisco Building Code provides for civil fines of up to \$500 per day for any person who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or opposes the execution of any provisions of this code. This section also provides for misdemean or fines, if convicted, of up to \$500 and/or imprisonment up to six months for each separate offense for every day such offense occurs.

De acuerdo a las Secciones 107A 5 y 106A 4.7 de el Codigo de Construcción, de Edificios de San Francisco, gastos de Investigación serán cobrados por trabajo empezado o realizado sin los debidos permisos o por trabajo que exceda el limite estipulado en los permisos. Dichos cobros pueden ser apelados ante la Junta de Apelaciones de Permisos (Board of Permit Appeals) dentro de los primeros quince das de haberse obtenido el permiso. Las apelaciones se hacen en el 49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1475 (14th Floor), telefono (628) 652-1150.

ADVERTENCIA: Si no cumple con las acciones immediatas requeridas para corregir las infracciones, el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios tendra el derecho de Iniciar el proceso de mitigación. Si una Orden de Mitigación es registrada contra dicha propiedad, los gastos incurridos durante el proceso de aplicación del código, desde la primera puesta del Aviso de Infracción hasta que todos los gastos esten pagados, se le cobraran al dueno del edificio o la propiedad será embargada para recuperar dichos gastos. Referencia a la Sección 102A,2 y 110A de el Código de Construcción de Edificios.

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 204 de el Código de Vivienda de San Francisco permite que se multe inmediatamente \$100 por cada primer caso de inconformidad, seguida por una multa, de \$200 por cada segunda infracción de incanformidad, aumentando hasta un maximo de \$7,500 por cada edificio. Esta Sección tambien permite obtener cargos criminales como delito menor, resultando en multas de no menos de \$1,000 diarios ó 6 meses de encarcelamiento o ambas sanciones.

ADVERTENCIA: Cualquier persona que reciba renta; por una vivienda que haya sido declarada que no satisface las normas requeidas por el Departamento de Inspección de Edificios, no puede deducir del estado intereses personales, de banco o empresa, depreciacion o taxes atribuidos sobre dicha estructura. Si el trabajo de reparación no se termina o esta diligentemente, rapidamente y contua mente acusado despues de seis(c) meses de la decha de este aviso, se le enviara una notificación a la Junta de Concesion de Impuestos (Franchise Tax Board) de acuerdo a la Sección 1264(c) del Código de Ingresos e Impuestos (Revenue and Taxation Code).

ADVERTENCIA: La Sección 103A de el Código de edificios de San Francisco impone muitas civiles hasta de \$500 por cada día a cualquier persona que infrinja, desobedezca, omita, descuide, se niege a cumplir, resiste o se opone a la ejecución de las provisiones de este codigo. Esta sección tambien impone multas per delito menor, si es declarado culpable, de hasta \$500 o encarcelamiento de hasta 6 meses, o ambas sanciones, por cada una de las ofensas y por cada dia que dicha ofensa occura.

Sang-ayon sa SFBC 107A.5 at 106A.4.7 ang bayad sa pagsusuri ay sisingilin sa mga gusaling naumpisahan na o ginawa na walang permit o sa mga gawaing labis sa sakop ng permit. Ang gayong singil ay maaring apela sa Board of Permit Appeals sa loob ng 15 na araw mula sa pag-isyu ng permit sa 49 South Van Ness Ave., suite 1475 (14th palapag). (628)652-1150.

BABALA: Ang kabiguan na gumawa ng aksiyon tulad ng kinakailangan upang iwasto ang mga nasabing paglabag ay magreresulta sa pagšilitis ng abatement ng Kagawaran ng Inspeksyon ng Gusali. Kung meron Order of Abatement ang naitala laban sa isang arl-arlan, ang may-arl ay sisingilin o di kaya ang arl-arian ay gagamitin na lien sa lahat ng mga gastos na natamo sa proseso ng pagpapatupad mula sa unang "Paunawa sa Paglabag" hanggang sa lahat ng gastos ay mabayaran, SFBC 102A.2 & 110A

BABALA: Ang Seksyon 204 ng Housing Code ng San Francisco ay nagtatakda ng agad-agad na multa na \$100 sa bawat halimbawa ng unang hindi pagsunod, at susundan ng multa na \$200 sa bawat paglabag sa pangalawang hindi pagsunod, hanggang sa sukdulan na \$7,500 sa bawat gusali. Ang seksyon na ito ay itinatakda na magsasampa rin ng kasong kriminal bilang isang misdemeanor sa bawat paglabag at magreresulta sa multa na hindi bababa ng \$1,000 sa bawat araw o di kaya sa anim na buwan na pagkabilanggo o parehong ipapataw.

BABALA: Sinumang kumikita sa pag-upa ng pabahay na tinukoy ng Kagawaran ng Inspeksyon ng Gusali na substandard, ay hindi maaring ibawas ang ganoong kita sa buwis sa estado ng kitang personal, at gayundin sa buwis na kita sa interes sa bangko at korporasyon, at sa depresasyon o mga buwis na mailugnay sa gusaling substandard. Kung ang Gawain sa pagwawasto ay hindi nakumpleto o hindi masigasig, mabilis at tuloy-tuloy ang paggawa matapos ang anim (6) na buwan mula sa petsa nitong paunawa, ay magpapadala ng abiso sa Franchise Tax Board na itinakda sa Seksyon 17264(6) ng Revenue and Taxatlon code.

BABALA: Ang Seksyon 103A ng Buliding Code ng San Francisco ay nagtatakda ng mga multang sibil hanggang sa \$500 sa bawat araw sa sinumang lumabag, sumuway, magtanggal, magpabaya o tumangging sumunod o di kaya sumalungat sa pagpatupad ng mga probisyon nitong code. Nagpapataw din itong seksyon ng multang misdemeanor kapag nahatulan, ng hanggang sa \$500 at o di kaya anim na buwan na pagkabilanggo sa bawat magkahiwalay na pagkasala para sa bawat araw na nangyari ang ganoong pagkasala.

根據《三屬市建築物條例》第107.5條款和第106.4.7條款,對未經許可的建築工程或營工程超過許可証範圍的接查,將會收取接查實用。對該獨用可以作出上訴,可以在許可證整出的15天之內,向"上訴委員會"(Board of Appeals)作出上訴。上訴委員會地址:49 South Van Ness Ave., Suite 1475 (14th Floor), 電話: (628) 652-1150 -

置告:如果沒有立即采取行動更正以上的選例情況,可能會引致模字檢查局展開 執法行動。如果執法命令正式紀錄於錢物業,業主可能會收到服單,或者錢物業 會被抵押,用於支付從張貼第一張"建例通知"開始,在執法過程第中所產生的 所有實用,直至所有實用付濟屬止。

《三篇市建築物條例》第102.2條款和第110條款。

電告:三藩市房屋條例第204條對最初的違例會立即處以每項100元的罰款,接下來會對第二次的違例處以每項200元的罰款,最高可以對每壓趕類物處以7,500元的罰款,該條例遵可以對每項違例處以經徵罪行的刑事檢控,可處以每 日最少1,000元的罰款或6個月的監禁,或兩者並罰。

管告:任何從機字檢查局認定為低於標準的房屋中獲取租金收入的個人,對於該低於模準的建築結構,將不能用於減免州的個人所得稅和銀行以及企業的所得稅利息、折舊或總期於該房屋的稅項。如果在該總知日期的6個月之後,更正工程尚未完成,或者沒有努力、快速和增續進行有關工程,有關通知將會稅塘 《收入及稅務條例》第17264(6)條款壽給加州平稅委員會。

警告:三潛市建築物條例》第103條款可給予每天機高可至500元的行政罰款, 對任何違反、不變從、遵渴、疏忽或拒絕遵守或反對執行該條例的任何條款。 該條款可給予輕假罪行的割款,一經定罪,可以對每一項軍獨的遽例,進例期間 的每一天,處於最高500元和/或最高6個月的監禁。

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• FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS NOTICE WITH	LL CAUSE ABATEMENT PROCEEDINGS TO BEGIN.

SEE ATTACHMENT FOR ADDITIONAL WARNINGS. 1. Obtain a building permit with plans to legalize all work that deviated from the approved plans under PA201810183586. This will

include any interior layout reconfiguration, faced changes, window replacement and separating the 2 and 3rd floor from 1st floor. Plans must show preexisting conditions that predates the approval of PA201810183586. Plans will also require as built conditions and





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of the San Francisco Municipal Codes Regarding Unsafe, Substandard or Noncomplying Structure or Land or Occupancy

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PHONE # 628-652-3440	DIVISION: BID	DISTRICT:	
By:(Inspectors's Signature)			

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### PROPERTY OWNER'S PACKAGE

#### Disclosures & Forms for Owner-Builders Applying for Construction Permits

#### **IMPORTANT!** NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

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Dear	Prope	ertv C	wner:

We are providing you with an Owner-Builder Acknowledgment and Information Verification Form to make you aware of your responsibilities and possible risk you may incur by having this permit issued in your name as the Owner-Builder. We will not Issue a building permit until you have read, initialed your understanding of each provision, signed, and returned this form to us at our official address indicated. An agent of the owner cannot execute this notice unless you, the property owner, obtain the prior approval of the permitting authority.

#### OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS: Read and initial each statement below to signify you understand or verify this information.

I understand a frequent practice of unlicensed persons is to have the property owner obtain an "Owner-Builder" building permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and material personally. I, as an Owner-Builder, may be held liable and subject to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person and his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an Owner-Builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.

2. I understand building permits are not required to be signed by property owners unless they are

responsible for the construction and are not hiring a licensed Contractor to assume this responsibility.

3. I understand as an "Owner-Builder" I am the responsible party of record on the permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed Contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own.

4. I understand Contractors are required by law to be licensed and bonded in California and to list their

license numbers on permits and contracts.

5.1 understand if I employ or otherwise engage any persons, other than California licensed Contractors, and the total value of my construction is at least five hundred dollars (\$500), including labor and materials, I may be considered an "employer" under state and federal law.

6.1 understand if I am considered an "employer" under state and federal law, I must register with the state and federal government, withhold payroll taxes, provide workers' compensation disability insurance, and contribute to unemployment compensation for each "employee." I also understand my failure to abide by these

laws may subject me to serious financial risk.

1/17. I understand under California Contractors' State License Law, an Owner-Builder who builds single-family residential structures cannot legally build them with the intent to offer them for sale, unless all work is performed by licensed subcontractors and the number of structures does not exceed four within any calendar year, or all of the work is performed under contract with a licensed general building Contractor.

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# Exhibit K



Printed Name

City and County of San Francisco

# CERTIFICATE OF FINAL COMPLETION AND OCCUPANCY Department of Building Inspection

100/8009	(block and lot)	Stories: 2 Dwelling Units: /	oms: \( \int \) with cooking facilities: \( \int \)	with NOV 201895477. Structural	rolaing Hoor Haming	len dormers on each side.	
LOCATION: 200 Naples 54.	(number) (street)	Permit Application No: 2018/0/83586 Type of Construction: V-B	Basements: Q Occupancy Classification: R-3 No. of Guestrooms:	Description of Construction: To Comply with NOV 201	Strengthening to include removing t	domer, Add & N	Home (E) laundry a And floor.

to the Ordinances of the City and County of San Francisco and to the Laws of the State of California. The above referenced occupancy classification is approved pursuant To the best of our knowledge, the construction described above has been completed and, effective as of the date the building permit application was filed, conforms both to Section 109A of th San Francisco Building Code. Any change in the use or occupancy of these premises -- or any change to the building or premises -- could cause the property to be in violation of the Municipal Codes of the City and County of Sn Francisco and, thereby, would invalidate this Certificate of Final Completion and Occupancy. A copy of this Certificate shall be maintained on the premises and shall be available at all times. Another copy of this Certificate should be kept with your important property documents.

Before making any changes to the structure in the future, please contact the Department of Building Inspection, which will provide advice regarding any change that you or Whatrict wish to make and will assist you in making the change in accordance with the Municipal Codes of the City and County of San Empcisco.

SW DESTRUCTION OF THE STATE OF	(Signature) Building Inspector
8/87/2020	
This certificate issued on:	(Man) lands

Patrick O'Riordan, Interim Director

Copies: White (original to microfilm), Blue (to property owner); Yellow (to Building Inspector); Pink (to Housing Inspector)

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# Exhibit L



August 20, 2020

City and County of San Francisco Department of Building Inspection 1660 Mission Street, Third Floor San Francisco, CA 94103

RE: 200 Naples Street Remodel Permit Number: 201810183586

BASE Design Project No. 19084

In accordance with Sections 1704 and 1705 of the 2016 San Francisco Building Code, we have provided Special Inspections for the following items:

- 1. 4 Reinforcing Steel
- 2. 18A Bolts Installed in Existing Concrete

Based upon inspections performed, it is my professional judgement that, to the best of my knowledge, the observed work was performed in accordance with the approved plans and applicable workmanship provisions of the San Francisco Building Code.

Additionally, pull testing was provided at the holdown anchor rods epoxied into the existing concrete by JB Goodie Structural Engineers. The letter indicating the results of the pull tests they performed is attached to this letter. This letter addressed Special Inspection item 18C.

Very truly yours,

**BASE Design** 

Kathryn Briggs, SE 5732

Principal





#### JB GOOD.

908 Yolo Ro Manteca, CA 95: Phone: (209) 683-9

## **TEST REPORT**

Job Description	Hold down testing on lines 1, 3 and 4	Date	8/15/2020
Location	200 Naples St., San Francisco, CA 94112	Job Number	1313

#### **TEST NOTES**

Testing conducted as per S8,1 detail 9

HDU2s tested to 4700 lbs ...... Pass

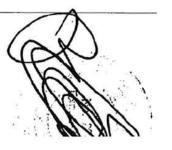
HDU5s tested to 8300 lbs ...... Pass

HDU8s tested to 10100 lbs ....... Pass

HDU11s tested to 14900 lbs ...... Pass

#### NOTE:

Where HDU2s were indicated on S2,0/1, HDU5s were used. We tested to 4700 lbs per S8,1/9



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# Exhibit M

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Pat mg <bigblockpat@gmail.com>

#### **200 Naples Orders of Abatement**

15 messages

Greene, Matthew (DBI) <matthew.greene@sfgov.org>

Thu, Jun 8, 2023 at 4:38 PM

To: bigblockpat <br/>
bigblockpat@gmail.com>

Cc: "KAPLA, ROBB (CAT)" <Robb.Kapla@sfcityatty.org>, "Buckley, Jeff (BOS)" <jeff.buckley@sfgov.org>, "MacKenzie, Kathy" <KMacKenzie@ortc.com>, "charles.quan@corcoranicon.com" <charles.quan@corcoranicon.com>

Mr. Gallagher,

In an effort to answer all your questions, I would like to present all the information you will need to move forward and complete your project at 200 Naples and have all recorded Orders against the property lifted.

First, please see attached the email I sent of you on March 9, 2023. At that time, I laid out the exact steps required to complete permit application # 202108096049 and receive a valid Certificate of Final Completion (CFC). If all those steps have been completed, we can schedule your Final Inspection.

Second, there are three Orders of Abatements recorded by the Department of Building Inspection against the property:

- a. Order of Abatement # 110003-A (for complaint # 201895477). Recorded on February 3, 2019.
- b. Order of Abatement # 110438-A (for complaint # 201721241). Recorded on July 3, 2019.
- c. Order of Abatement # 201644272-A (for complaint # 201644272). Recorded on February 3, 2019.

These Order will be lifted when all work is complete, the valid CFC is issued and all outstanding bills have been paid.

1. Order of Abatement # 110438-A (for complaint # 201721241) has an outstanding bill of \$2860.60 (bill attached).

Make check out to: CCSF-DBI

Mail to: Code Enforcement Section

Department of Building Inspection

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2. Order of Abatement # 201644272-A (for complaint # 201644272) has an outstanding bill of \$3403.00. (bill attached)

Make check out to: CCSF-DBI

Mail to: Housing Inspection Services

Department of Building Inspection

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San Francisco, Ca 94103

#### 3. There are no further assessments due for Order of Abatement # 110003-A

As I have said earlier, when the valid CFC for completion of work is issued <u>and</u> these bills are paid, the Department of Building Inspection will lift these recorded Orders.

I hope I was able to answer any questions you may have about reaching resolution to your concerns.

Thank you,

Matt Greene

Acting Deputy Director

Inspection Services

Department of Building Inspection

49 South Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor

San Francisco, CA 94103

----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Greene, Matthew (DBI)" <matthew.greene@sfgov.org>

To: bigblockpat <br/>
bigblockpat@gmail.com>

Cc: "Buckley, Jeff (BOS)" <jeff.buckley@sfgov.org>, "Duffy, Joseph (DBI)" <joseph.duffy@sfgov.org>, "Howard, Brett (DBI)" <br/>brett.howard@sfgov.org>, "Burke, Kenneth (DBI)" <kenneth.burke@sfgov.org>, "Wong, Kelly (CPC)" <kelly.wong@sfgov.org>, "Czajkowski, Matt (DPW)" <matt.czajkowski@sfdpw.org>, "Pereira, Neville (DBI)" <neville.pereira@sfgov.org>

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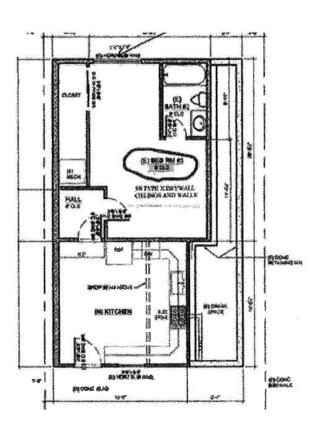
Date: Fri, 10 Mar 2023 00:15:13 +0000

Subject: RE: 200 Naples Street San Francisco Electrical Corrections for the ADU Unit

Mr. Gallagher

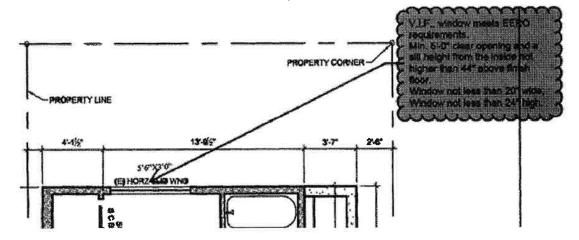
Per your request, please see the below for the specific requirements to receive final sign off for building permit application # 202108096049 (for a new ADU at 200 Naples).

1. Sheet # 3 of the approved plans for permit application # 202108096049 call for the ceiling height for the ADU bedroom to 8 feet.



During the site visit on March 2, 2023. The ceiling height was measured to 7 foot 3 inches. San Francisco Building Code Section states that habitable space shall "have a ceiling height of not less than 7 feet 6 inches above the finished floor". The current conditions do not match the approved plans and do not meet the minimum requirements of the San Francisco Building Code. If it is impractical to increase the ceiling height of this bedroom, you may request a local equivalency through Administrative Bulleting AB-005. The purpose of this Administrative Bulletin is to detail the procedures to be used for the application and case-by-case review of requests for approval of equivalencies, when work is proposed which does not strictly comply with the provisions of the latest edition of the San Francisco Building Code. I have attached the form to request such an equivalency, and I have discussed your situation with the Deputy Director of Permit Services. I encourage you to take advantage of this possibility.

2. Also on sheet #3 f the approved plans for permit application #202108096049 are the requirements for the bedroom's Emergency Escape and Rescue Opening (aka the bedroom window). There must be a 5 foot clear opening and the interior sill height cannot be higher than 44" above the finish floor:



During site visit on March 2, 2023, the sill height was measured to be 48" and not meeting the minimum requirements of the code. This sill height will need to be corrected.

- Obtain final sign off for electrical permit # EW 20230208798.
- 4. Have the Department of Public Works- Bureau of Street Use and Mapping complete there required inspection of the Public Way. I would remind you that the Planning Department's approval for PA no. 202108096049 is to remove the existing curb cut. The Variance to request off-street parking and allow for this curb cut was denied. (Variance decision is attached)
- 5. Have the Department of Public Works -Bureau of Urban Forestry inspect and approve the planting of the 4 required street trees and the required 42 square feet of landscaping.

I think this is a very clear concise list of requirements and hope that this explains your path forward to complete this project.

Matt Greene

Chief Building Inspector

**Building Inspection Division** 

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Patrick Gallagher 470 Coletas Way Byron, CA 94514

Plaintiff, In Pro Per

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Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco

03/16/2023 Clerk of the Court BY: JEFFREY FLORES Deputy Clerk

## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

PATRICK GALLAGHER,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, BERNARD CURRAN, RODRIGO SANTOS, WILLIAM HUGHEN, KEVIN BIRMINGHAM, NATALIA KWAITKOWSKA, AND JOE DUFFY,

Defendants.

CASE NO.:

CGC-23-605173

## UNLIMITED JURISDICTION VERIFIED COMPLAINT

- 1. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF
- 2. DECLARATORY RELIEF
- 3. SLANDER OF TITLE
- 4. INVERSE CONDEMNATION



VERIFIED COMPLAINT

COMES NOW Plaintiff, PATRICK GALLAGHER complaining of a policy that was known, encouraged, formulated and tolerated by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, whereby individuals such as the Plaintiff who are engaged in the process of purchasing and refurbishing houses in the City of Francisco, are subjected to a process whereby they are not able to receive permits to complete work and/or not give approval for work that has been completed and/or threatened with and issued frivolous code enforcement violations, unless they pay bribes to city officials, such as those named as individuals in this lawsuit.

#### I. THE PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER is an individual and is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA.
- 2. Defendant COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO (hereinafter "SAN FRAN") is a political subdivision of the State of California.
- 3. Defendant BERNARD CURRAN (hereinafter "MR. CURRAN") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as a Building Inspector. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.
- 4. Defendant WILLIAM HUGHEN (hereinafter "MR. HUGHEN") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as a Senior Planner. At

all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.

- 5. Defendant RODRIGO SANTOS, (hereinafter "MR. SANTOS") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as a Building Inspector. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.
- 6. Defendant KEVIN BIMINGHAM (hereinafter "MR. BIMINGHAM") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as a Building Inspector. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.
- 7. Defendant NATALIA KWAITKOWSKA ("MS. KWAITKOWSKA") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as a Principal Planner. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.

- 8. Defendant JOE DUFFY ("MR. DUFFY") is now, and at all times relevant to this action was, a resident of the County of SAN FRANCISCO, State of CALIFORNIA and was employed by the CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO as the Chief Building Inspector. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment under color of state law.
- 9. Whenever in this Complaint an act or omission of a corporation or business entity is alleged or political subdivision, said allegation shall be deemed to mean and include an allegation that the corporation or business entity acted or omitted to act through its authorized officers, directors, agents, servants, and/or employees, acting within the course and scope of their duties, that the act or omission was authorized by corporate managerial officers or directors, and that the act or omission was ratified by the officers and directors of the corporation.

#### II. JURISDICTION & VENUE

- 10. The Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of San Francisco has jurisdiction over this action and venue is proper in this Court pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 395.5 in that the conduct took place in San Francisco County, the work on the home was to be performed in San Francisco County and the property at the center of this dispute is also located in San Francisco County, State of California.
  - 11. The amount in controversy is more than \$25,000.

- 12. The For the past 12 years, the Plaintiff has been involved in the business of purchasing and refurbishing homes and it was this type of business, that he was involved in when in 2018, he purchased a home located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, CA 94112 (the "home" or the "property").
- 13. The home was built in 1907 and was in need of a large amount of repairs.
- 14. Once the Plaintiff started the process of making repairs, MR. CURRAN, MR. HUGHEN routinely refused to grant him permits to continue repairs and routinely threatened him with code enforcement actions unless he hired MR. SANTOS to be the "structural engineer".
- 15. In reality MR. SANTOS had once worked with the SAN FRAN and had recently retired and was operating a business that specializes in "structural engineering".
- 16. The Plaintiff was shocked when MR. SANTOS and MR. CURRAN were arrested by the U.S. Federal Government on charges of bribery, which MR. CURRAN plead guilty to.
- 17. While the charges do not involve the property involved in this matter, they demonstrate a pattern of how unless gratuities were accepted, building permits were not issued.
- 18. The project of refurbishing the home should not have taken over 10 weeks, but has now been drawn out to become a four year project and the Plaintiff has lost over \$1.7 million dollars in lost sales, taxes and unnecessary repairs.
- 19. Currently, the Plaintiff is losing over \$7,000 per month, in lost rental income.
- 20. The Plaintiff was forced to replace windows, repave the driveway and other unnecessary repairs, due to the actions of the Defendants.

- 21. Plaintiff received a Certificate of Final Completion and Occupancy (the "Certificate"), from the Defendant, CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, on or about August 27, 2020 and it was signed by Defendant, BERNARD CURRAN, however after his arrest the Certificate was mysteriously removed from public records and the taxes for the property were raised.
- 22. In committing the wrongful acts alleged herein, Defendants, inclusive, and each of them, have pursued, or joined in the pursuit of a common course of conduct, and have acted in concert via agreement with, and conspired with, one another in furtherance of the improper acts, plans, schemes, and transactions that are the subject of this Complaint.
- 23. In addition, each of the Defendants, inclusive, and each of them, rendered substantial assistance in the wrongs complained of herein. In taking such actions to substantially assist the commission of the wrongdoing complained of herein, each Defendant acted with knowledge of the primary wrongdoing, and was aware of his, her or its overall contribution to, and furtherance of the wrongdoing.
- 24. Consequently, the actions of Defendants, inclusive, and each of them, and each of them, were done not in the best interest of the Plaintiff.
- 25. As a result, based upon information and belief, Plaintiff, thereon alleges that each Defendant, inclusive, and each of them, are liable for the events and damages as alleged herein by their knowingly consenting to or approving the unlawful acts.
- 26. As such, Defendants, inclusive, and each of them, should be held accountable for each other's wrongful misconduct as set forth herein. An inequitable result will follow if such Defendants are not treated as aiders, abettors and co-conspirators of the facts as

alleged herein.

# IV. CAUSES OF ACTION

# FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

# (As against Defendants)

- 27. Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER is an individual and refers to and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 22 above, as though set forth in full herein, and alleges this First Cause of Action for Injunctive Relief.
- 28. Defendants have acted and continue to act in excess of statutory jurisdiction and contrary to the law in this matter. Defendants have threatened to reinstitute and take further actions against the Plaintiff's property and furthermore, Defendants have refused to issue permits for Plaintiff's property.
- 29. Defendants will cause Plaintiff to suffer irreparable injury because it will continue to prohibit him from exercising their lawful rights to the property as a property owner without exposing him to further civil penalties.
- 30. Plaintiff is now losing and will continue to lose, and/or benefit from, the profits lawfully exercising his rights including but not limited to renting and/or selling the property.
- 31. Plaintiff does not have a plain, speedy, and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of law.
- 32. Currently, Plaintiff has found a potential buyer for the property, and the property is in escrow for \$ but cannot clear the title due to frivolous Code Enforcement Liens.
  - 33. Further, regardless of the potential sale, the Plaintiff is losing rental value at

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approximately \$7,000 per month.

34. Plaintiff is the true owner of the property located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, CA 94112 and is entitled to take possession of the property.

# SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION - DECLARATORY RELIEF

# (As against Defendants )

- 35. Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER is an individual and refers to and incorporates paragraphs1 through 22 above, as though set forth in full herein, and alleges this Second Cause of Action for Declaratory Relief.
- 36. The Plaintiff owns the home located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, CA 94112.
- 37. The Defendants' refusal to release frivolous Code Enforcement Liens, has placed an untenable cloud on the title to the property, in that the real property remains vacant, and cannot be sold.
- 38. An actually controversy has arisen and now exists between the parties hereto in connection with the matters alleged herein.
- 39. No adequate remedy other than that herein prayed for exists by which the rights of the parties may be determined.
- 40. A judicial determination resolving this actual controversy is necessary and appropriate at this time.

# THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION - SLANDER OF TITLE

# (As against all Defendants)

- 41. Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER is an individual and refers to and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 22 above, as though set forth in full herein, and alleges this Third Cause of Action for Declaratory Relief.
- 42. The Plaintiff owns the home located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, CA 94112.
- 43. The Defendants' refusal to release frivolous Code Enforcement Liens, has placed an untenable cloud on the title to the property, in that the real property remains vacant, and cannot be sold.
- 44. By doing the acts described above, Defendants slandered Plaintiff's title to the property located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, CA 94112.

#### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION - INVERSE CONDEMNATION

# (As against all Defendants)

- 45. Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER is an individual and refers to and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 22 above, as though set forth in full herein, and alleges this Fourth Cause of Action for Inverse Condemnation.
- 46. Article I, Section 19 of the California Constitution, prohibits the taking, including the temporary or permanent deprivation of private property, for a public use without just compensation, where such deprivation amounts to the abridgment or destruction, by reason of the actions fo te government body, of the lawful rights of an individual to the possession, use or enjoyment of his land. It has also been held that an undue restriction on the use of property is as much a taking for constitutional purposes as is an

- appropriation or destruction.
- 47. The intentional actions of the Defendants have unlawfully damages Plaintiff's property interests and for that reason constitute violations of the constitutional ban on taking without just compensation. Furthermore, no public use has been served by the Defendant's conduct.
- 48. Defendants by their intentional actions have sacrificed the economic interests of the Plaintiff in order to benefit the Defendants herein.
- 49. Plaintiff should not be forced to bear these burdens for the benefit of the Defendants.
- 50. Plaintiff alleges that these intentional actions of the Defendants constitute a direct, substantial and peculiar burden on Plaintiff's property interests and a taking of Plaintiff's property without payment of just compensation in violation of the California Constitution.
- 51. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants' intentional actions against Plaintiff failed to advance a legitimate state interest and deprived Plaintiff of the viable use and value of his property interest and caused the damages alleged herein.
- 52. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered damages, including, but no limited to, a diminution in the value of the property, loss of rental income, inability to take advantage of beneficial refinancing and lower interest rates, tax penalities, the inability to sell the property, insurance of expenses for attorneys, experts, court costs, loss of time, resources and income and severe physical and emotional distress.

# WHEREFORE, Plaintiff,

- 1) For general damages according to law and proof, but at least \$2.4 million;
- 2) For special damages according to law and proof;
- 3) For treble damages pursuant to Civil Code § 3345;
- 4) For punitive damages;
- 5) Attorney's fees and costs; and
- 6) For such other and further relief as the court may deem proper.

# DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

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# VERIFICATION

I have read the foregoing VERIFIED COMPLAINT know its contents.

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<b>Ο</b> χ	I am an officer, a partner, an agent, of, a party to this action, and am authorized to make this Verification for and on its behalf, and I make this Verification for that reason. I am informed and believe and on that ground allege that the matters stated in the foregoing document are true. The matters stated in the foregoing document are true of my own knowledge except as to those matters which are stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.
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	d this day of December, 2023 at San Francisco, California.

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## INTRODUCTION

- In 2018, Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER ("Plaintiff"), a veteran in the 1. construction industry for over forty-five (45) years, purchased a single family home in San Francisco with the intention of renovating and selling the property.
- 2. During the initial renovation process, Plaintiff was the victim of a pay-to-play fraud by employees of Defendant CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ("CITY"). The payto-play fraud was known, encouraged, formulated, and tolerated by the CITY and targeted individuals, such as Plaintiff, who were renovating homes for re-sell. As part of the fraud, the CITY would not issue Plaintiff permits necessary to complete work, would not approve work that had been completed in compliance with all CITY ordinances, and threatened frivolous code enforcement violations unless Plaintiff agreed to use the services of certain consultants or engineers recommended to Plaintiff by the CITY.
- 3. After uncovering the truth behind these deceptive practices and refusing to participate, Plaintiff spoke with the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning this illegal and fraudulent scheme. The FBI had already been conducting an investigation into several CITY officials including Defendant BERNARD CURRAN ("CURRAN"), former Building Inspector for San Francisco's Department of Building Inspection ("SFDBI"), who specifically perpetrated this scheme against Plaintiff. CURRAN was eventually arrested and charged with accepting gratuities as rewards for approving building permits.
- 4. Due to Plaintiff's participation in the FBI's investigation and refusal to participate in the pay-to-play fraud, Plaintiff was subjected to brazen retaliation by SFDBI employees and other CITY officials. Such retaliation included, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion. The subject property has been in escrow on three (3) separate occasions, all of which have fallen through due to the CITY's retaliation and unjustified taking.
- 5. The CITY has a pattern, custom, and/or practice of retaliatory conduct against those who speak out against wrongful and illegal actions. Namely, much like the facts in this case, a

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CITY Planning Commissioner, who also owned an investment property in San Francisco, recently filed suit alleging that he was retaliated against by SFDBI employees after making complaints and speaking out against its pay-to-play scheme and corrupt practices. The Commissioner alleged that after he called on the City Attorney to conduct an investigation, SFDBI employees riddled the Commissioner's property with erroneous complaints, unnecessary inspections, unwarranted notices of violation, and revoked nine (9) permits, all related to completed work that had already been approved, permitted, and inspected by SFDBI. The retaliation caused the value of the Commissioner's property to depreciate and caused other significant damages. The Commissioner named Defendant MAURICIO HERNANDEZ ("HERNANDEZ"), a SFDBI Building Inspector, as a defendant in his case, alleging that he was one of the employees who retaliated against him. The Commissioner settled his case against the CITY for \$1.8 Million dollars.

- 6. As of the filing of this Complaint, the subject property has been in escrow on three (3) occasions and has not sold as a result of the CITY's retaliation and unjustified taking.
- 7. Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer severe damages including, without limitation, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, increased taxes, severe emotional distress, and irreparable harm to reputation.
- 8. This Complaint addresses the CITY's unlawful and wrongful conduct against Plaintiff and seeks to shed light on its practices that undermine the public trust in government and present a threat to public safety.

# **PARTIES**

- 9. At all relevant times, Plaintiff PATRICK GALLAGHER ("Plaintiff") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California. Plaintiff brings this action individually and as trustee for the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher.
- 10. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ("CITY") is and was a public entity duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California. The San Francisco Department of Building Inspection ("SFDBI") is the CITY's agency responsible for issuing permits and overseeing the enforcement of state and local building codes and regulations.

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Employees of the SFDBI are local officials of the CITY.

- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 11. Defendant BERNARD CURRAN ("CURRAN") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- 12. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant RODRIGO SANTOS ("SANTOS") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was a former employee of the CITY.
- 13. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant JOE DUFFY ("DUFFY") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as the Deputy Director of SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- 14. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant KEVIN BIRMINGHAM ("BIRMINGHAM") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, 15. Defendant MAURICIO HERNANDEZ ("HERNANDEZ") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Building Inspector with the SFDBI. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- 16. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant WILLIAM HUGHEN ("HUGHEN") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Senior Planner with San Francisco Planning. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.

- 17. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that at all relevant times, Defendant NATALIA KWAITKOWSKA ("KWAITKOWSKA") is and was a resident of the County of San Francisco, State of California and was employed by the CITY as a Principal Planner with San Francisco Planning. At all times, he was acting individually and/or within the course and scope of his employment with the CITY.
- 18. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued in this Complaint as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and therefore Plaintiff sues these defendants by these fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that each of the defendants designated herein as a DOE negligently, carelessly, and tortiously is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to and proximately caused injury and damages to Plaintiff as herein alleged. Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained.
- 19. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and based thereon alleges that, at all times herein mentioned, Defendants CITY, DUFFY, CURRAN, SANTOS, BIRMINGHAM, HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, KWAITKOWSKA, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, were the agents, servants, representatives, employees, and employers of each remaining defendant, and in doing the things alleged in this Complaint, were acting within the course, scope, and purpose of said agency and employment and in said capacity.
- 20. Defendants CITY, DUFFY, CURRAN, SANTOS, BIRMINGHAM, HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, KWAITKOWSKA, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, at times hereinafter shall be collectively referred to as "Defendants".

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

21. Plaintiff filed his original Complaint in the Superior Court, State of California in and for the County of San Francisco. Plaintiff maintained that the Superior Court had jurisdiction over this action and the venue was proper pursuant to *California Code of Civil Procedure* § 395.5 in that the conduct took place in the County of San Francisco, the work on the home was to be performed in the County of San Francisco, the property at the center of this dispute is located in the County of San Francisco, and the amount in controversy is more than \$25,000.

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Northern District of California on July 19, 2023, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446.

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# SATISFACTION OF GOVERNMENT CLAIMS ACT REQUIREMENTS

CITY removed this action to its current venue, the United States District Court,

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24. Plaintiff timely presented a claim for damages to CITY on or about September 8, 2022, within six (6) months of the incidents giving rise to this litigation. On or about October 6,

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2022, CITY served a written rejection of Plaintiff's claim.

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25. Thus, this action has been filed within the allowable time limit.

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# PUBLIC ENTITY LIABILITY

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26. Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are liable to Plaintiff pursuant to, without limitation, Government Code § 815.2(a).

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## **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

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27. Plaintiff alleges the following upon reasonable information and belief and without limitation:

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28. For the past twelve (12) years, Plaintiff, a veteran of the construction industry for over forty-five (45) years, has been involved in the business of purchasing and renovating homes. It was this type of business that he was involved in when he purchased a single family home through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, in or around the summer of 2018,

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located at 200 Naples Street, San Francisco, California 94112 ("subject property" or "property").

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29. The subject property was originally built in 1907 and is the only sub-dividable or expandable lot in the neighborhood with the best views. The property was in need of a large

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30. Once Plaintiff started the renovation process, SFDBI inspectors, including Philip Saunders, routinely showed up to the subject property threatening Plaintiff and his workers with code enforcement violations for standard work that was being performed. The unwarranted threats and harassment from SFDBI got significantly worse, such that two (2) of Plaintiff's employees were forced to quit.

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31. To begin substantive work on the property, Plaintiff needed to obtain an allencompassing permit from the CITY. CURRAN, an SFDBI Building Inspector at the time, told
Plaintiff that in order to obtain the permit and begin the full renovation process, Plaintiff needed to
hire a structural engineer for the project. Plaintiff was confused and disagreed with CURRAN,
stating that a structural engineer for a two-story single family home was completely unnecessary.
Nevertheless, CURRAN insisted that Plaintiff hire a structural engineer or the permit would not be
granted. What's more, Curran insisted that Plaintiff hire SANTOS, a former SFDBI employee
who was now operating a business that specialized in structural engineering. To ensure the permit
would be issued and to move the already delayed project along, Plaintiff complied with
CURRAN's mandate and hired SANTOS.

- 32. Work that was supposed to take approximately two (2) weeks turned into ten (10) months. SANTOS continually delayed the project and kept demanding more money from Plaintiff for specious and unnecessary work. By the time SANTOS had completed his drawings for the project, they were completely wrong and called for more work than was necessary for a home that size. Plaintiff at this point had paid SANTOS approximately \$13,000 in fees and wasted a significant amount of time and resources for work that was essentially useless. Consequently, Plaintiff fired SANTOS and hired a different firm that was unaffiliated with SFDBI. The new firm completed the work in approximately two (2) weeks for a fraction of the cost.
- 33. After the significant delay, Plaintiff was issued the all-encompassing permit in or around June of 2019 and began the main renovation process.
- 34. In or around August of 2020, the project was complete and CURRAN issued Plaintiff a signed certificate of completion.
- 35. In or around May of 2021, Plaintiff entered into an agreement to sell the subject property and it went into escrow.
- 36. At or around this time, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was conducting an investigation into CURRAN and SANTOS related to, among other things, an illegal "pay to play" scheme. CURRAN was forced to resign from SFDBI due to the investigation.

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37. At or around this time, Plaintiff was contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, discussing his dealings with CURRAN and SANTOS concerning the apparent scheme that was perpetrated against him.

- 38. At or around this time, the CITY, namely DUFFY, BIRMINGHAM, HERNANDEZ, HUGHEN, and KWAITKOWSKA, close associates with both CURRAN and SANTOS, became aware and/or were under the belief that Plaintiff had discussions with the FBI concerning CURRAN and SANTOS.
- 39. Approximately four (4) days prior to escrow closing on the subject property, SFDBI issued Plaintiff a notice of violation for an expired permit and an illegal downstairs unit. The taxes on the property were also raised. SFDBI falsely claimed that the certificate of completion that CURRAN signed never got filed correctly and was now void. SFDBI also falsely claimed that a realtor had reported the illegal downstairs unit after discovering it at an open house, despite the fact that Plaintiff never held an open house and did not intend for the space to be used as an additional dwelling unit. SFDBI told Plaintiff that the entire property would need to be reinspected and approved. Escrow did not close and the sale of the subject property fell through. The CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff and its unjustified taking of the subject property had begun.
- 40. The CITY has a pattern, custom, and/or practice of retaliatory conduct against those who speak out against wrongful and illegal actions. Namely, much like the facts in this case, a CITY Planning Commissioner, who also owned an investment property in San Francisco, recently filed suit alleging that he was retaliated against by SFDBI employees after making complaints and speaking out against its pay-to-play scheme and corrupt practices. Specifically, the Commissioner raised numerous concerns to CITY officials and called for investigations into SFDBI's corrupt practice of approving and issuing unqualified permits and work for certain development projects in exchange for kickbacks. One of these projects involved two convicted felons who were believed to have close relationships with SFDBI employees. The Commissioner alleged that SFDBI employees were approving grossly misrepresented permit applications, allowing work to be done on projects far beyond the scope permitted, failing to conduct sufficient inspections, and failing to stop serial permitting, among others. Less than a month after the Commissioner called for an

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27 28 investigation to be conducted by the City Attorney, SFDBI employees, including HERNANDEZ, an SFDBI Building Inspector, began targeting the Commissioner's investment property. SFDBI riddled the property with erroneous complaints, unnecessary inspections, unwarranted notices of violations, and revoked nine (9) permits, all related to completed work that had already been approved, permitted, and inspected by SFDBI. Notably, the Commissioner alleged that HERNANDEZ made statements to other officials that they were going to come down hard on the Commissioner's property. HERNANDEZ was named as individual defendant in the Commissioner's case. The Commissioner settled his case against the CITY for \$1.8 Million dollars.

- 41. Much like the Commissioner's case, HERNANDEZ and BIRMINGHAM, another SFDBI Building Inspector, began the retaliation campaign against Plaintiff. HERNANDEZ and BIRMINGHAM re-inspected the property and issued another notice of violation, falsely claiming that the windows located on the second floor were illegal. The windows in question had been in existence since the house was built and had already been approved twice. They demanded that Plaintiff submit an application to legalize the windows. They also told Plaintiff that he needed to submit an application for an additional dwelling unit and revise the plans for the property to more accurately reflect the stairs as built. During the inspection, HERNANDEZ sneered at Plaintiff, telling him "we know who you've been talking to".
- 42. Plaintiff had no choice but to comply with SFDBI's demands related to these unfound violations and submitted his applications and revised plans accordingly.
- 43. Without cause, BIRMINGHAM subsequently rejected Plaintiff's application related to the windows on the second floor, demanding Plaintiff to now close off the windows completely. Plaintiff strongly objected. Closing off the windows would cost a significant amount of money and further delay Plaintiff's ability to sell the property. Again, these windows had been approved twice before and Plaintiff had already received a certificate of completion for the entire property.
- Upset, frustrated, and losing more money, Plaintiff contacted the CITY's Board of 44. Supervisors for help. The Board facilitated a meeting between Plaintiff and SFDBI.

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At the meeting, Plaintiff aired his grievances. Plaintiff presented evidence showing 45. that the subject property had already received a certificate of completion and that the recent demands by SFDBI were unreasonable and excessive. Plaintiff was frustrated and wanted to know why SFDBI made him jump through more hoops after he had already secured a valid certificate of completion. DUFFY, SFDBI's Deputy Director, dismissed Plaintiff's concerns and ignored the validity of his claims, refusing to approve his plans or his applications. DUFFY demanded that the windows on the second floor be closed off completely. What's more, DUFFY, then expressed to Plaintiff during this meeting that he had no doubt that Plaintiff had spoken to the FBI concerning his dealings with CURRAN and SANTOS. Plaintiff was shocked and dismayed. The CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff was unequivocal at this point and DUFFY was not only ratifying and approving the unlawful conduct, he was spearheading it.

- DUFFY, as SFDBI's Deputy Director, was in charge of and had complete oversight 46. of SFDBI and all of its employees. He was a final policymaker acting under the color of his authority and had the power to approve, deny, and/or overturn any decisions made by SFDBI employees concerning their "regulation" of the subject property to ensure conformance with CITY policies. All of the wrongful conduct complained of herein including, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a valid certificate of completion, was at the behest and/or endorsement of DUFFY.
- 47. DUFFY's job duties and responsibilities as Deputy Director included, without limitation:
- Planning, directing, and evaluating the work of SFDBI employees, including all Building Inspectors, who provide information regarding inspection services to the public, review plans and permits, and perform inspections in connection with the construction and modification of buildings or other structures, and of buildings under investigation for code violations in order to ensure that department policies and procedures are adhered to and the applicable codes, ordinances, and laws are properly enforced;

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- b. Interpreting and explaining codes, related laws and ordinances which govern building construction in the City such as the building code, housing code, mechanical code, state building standards, appeal procedures, abatement process and permit processing to staff and others including architects, engineers, contractors, and the general public to ensure that the information concerning the department is disseminated accurately;
- Representing SFDBI at meetings, hearings, and in court by preparing c. evidence and/or appearing before such bodies as the Board of Supervisors, Building Inspection Commission, judicial committees, Access Appeals Commission, Board of Permit Appeals, Abatement Appeals Board, and Board of Examiners in order to testify or present information regarding code violation cases;
- d. Directing the preparation and maintenance of records and reports on abatement appeals board cases, statistical analyses, inspection activities, work orders, contracts, specifications, plans, cost estimates, emergency orders, and operational activities by assigning, reviewing, and revising when necessary, to ensure that such work is correct, complete, and in conformance with departmental policies and procedures;
- Reviewing complaints regarding inspection services, plan reviews, code e. interpretations, and/or code violations from property owners, general public, other City departments, and various civic groups by researching pertinent codes, ordinances, laws and conducting investigations, taking appropriate actions, and informing complainant of findings in order to clarify and resolve problems;
- f. Establishing inspection and operational procedures by reviewing existing policies and procedures and when necessary, revising or creating new procedures in order to effectively maximize staff and resources and/or conform to current laws, regulations, ordinances and codes regulating the construction and modification of buildings and other structures;
- Reviewing current codes, administrative bulletins and code rulings in order to inform staff of revisions and/or additions, and to provide management with input regarding the feasibility of such revisions or additions on current work processes and, if necessary, prepares recommendations for revisions or additions.

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- 48. Again, having no choice but to comply with SFDBI's demands, Plaintiff closed off the windows on the second floor completely, requiring, among other things, demolition, scaffolding, installation of new material, and painting. The additional work cost Plaintiff approximately \$30,000.
- 49. In or around October of 2021, approval of Plaintiff's application for an additional dwelling unit was transferred to HUGHEN, Senior Planner with the CITY's Planning department. HUGHEN, and then KWAITKOWSKA, Principal Planner with the CITY's Planning department, egregiously delayed the approval of the application for months on end, forcing Plaintiff to jump over more arbitrary hurdles. A process that should have taken a few weeks, took over seven (7) months before Plaintiff's initial application for the additional unit was approved in or around May of 2022.
- 50. During the pendency of Plaintiff's application for the additional dwelling unit, HUGHEN placed yet another baseless roadblock in front of Plaintiff. HUGHEN, citing to an erroneous ordinance and law, claimed that the driveway on the subject property was out of code and could not be used for off street parking anymore. Again, the driveway had been in existence since the property was built and had already been approved. This would place a significant limitation on the property and greatly affect its overall value. On-site parking for a single family home in San Francisco is essential. Plaintiff, after contacting the CITY attorney's office, provided HUGHEN with the applicable laws and ordinances showing that the driveway was code complaint. HUGHEN dismissed Plaintiff's pleas and demanded that he now apply for a variance. Plaintiff was truly at a loss.
- Again, having no choice, Plaintiff complied with the CITY's demands. His 51. applications for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway were subsequently approved in or around May of 2022 and he received the necessary permits.
- 52. At or around this time, Plaintiff entered into another agreement to sell the subject property and it again entered escrow. Although Plaintiff had not received a new certificate of completion, he needed to sell the property and was willing to do so at a discount. Selling the property without a certificate of completion significantly affected its value.

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- 53. In or around July of 2022, while the subject property was still in escrow, Plaintiff was informed by SFDBI that his permit for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway were being revoked. SFDBI falsely claimed that the CITY's Planning department had mistakenly provided him these permits and that he actually needed approval from SFDBI as it was within their purview. They demanded Plaintiff submit new applications, new revised plans, and go through the entire process again. Plaintiff was shocked, confused, and defeated. The CITY's wrongful conduct was relentless. Unfortunately, the sale of the subject property fell through for a second time.
- 54. Approximately six (6) months later, after another long, arbitrary, and arduous process, Plaintiff was finally issued new permits by SFDBI in or around January of 2023 for the additional dwelling unit and the driveway. Plaintiff hoped that the CITY's retribution had concluded and he would now be able to obtain a final certificate of completion and sell the property accordingly. Although Plaintiff had obtained new permits, he still needed to go through additional inspections in order to receive the final certificate of completion.
- 55. Unfortunately, the CITY's retaliation against Plaintiff and its unjustified taking of his property continued and continues as of the filing of this Complaint. Although Plaintiff possesses valid permits, inspections have led to new, unfound, and vindictive violations concerning, among other things, the legality of the windows located on the first floor of the property. Windows that have been in existence since the property was built and approved many times before.
- 56. In or around February of 2023, Plaintiff was again forced to forgo additional revenue and enter into another agreement to sell the property without a certificate of completion. This is the third time the property has been in escrow. Due to the numerous abatements and notices of violation that remain on the property, the sale fell through in or around August of 2023.
- 57. The CITY has intentionally and vindictively drawn out the renovation process for the property for the past five (5) years. Plaintiff has lost a significant amount of money in lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.

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58. The CITY's conduct was intentional, punitive, and non-discretionary, causing Plaintiff to sustain and to continue to sustain severe economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.

# **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **SLANDER OF TITLE**

## (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 59. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporates herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 60. At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- 61. Defendants disparaged the quality of the subject property including, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion.
- 62. Defendants' statements were made to members of the public, including real estate agents or brokers and prospective purchasers of the subject property.
- Defendants' statements were without privilege and/or justification as they were 63. false and done with the intention of suggesting that the subject property was unfit to be sold.
- 64. Defendants knew that their statements were false and/or acted with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the statements.
- 65. Defendants knew or should have recognized that someone else might act or forbear action in reliance on their statements.
- 66. Defendants made their statements with the intent or reasonable belief that the statements would cause financial loss to Plaintiff.
- 67. Defendants' statements have placed an untenable cloud on the title to the subject property, in that the property remains vacant and cannot be sold.
- 68. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered direct and immediate financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject

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property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also lost time and suffered inconvenience.

69. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action to clear title to the subject property. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

# SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **INVERSE CONDEMNATION**

# (By Plaintiff against CITY and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 70. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 71. Article I, Section 19 of the California Constitution, prohibits the taking, including the temporary or permanent deprivation of private property, for a public use without just compensation, where such deprivation amounts to the abridgment or destruction, by reason of the actions for the government body, of the lawful rights of an individual to the possession, use, or enjoyment of his land. It has also been held that an undue restriction on the use of property is as much a taking for constitutional purposes as is an appropriation or destruction.
- 72. At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- 73. Defendants have unlawfully taken and/or damaged the subject property without providing Plaintiff just compensation. Defendants have abridged and/or destructed Plaintiff's rights to the possession, use, and/or enjoyment of his land. Such conduct includes, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, and revoking a certificate of completion.
- 74. Defendants by their intentional conduct have sacrificed the economic interests of Plaintiff in order to benefit their own interests. Plaintiff should not be forced to bear these burdens for the benefit of the Defendants.

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75.	Plaintiff alleges that these intentional actions of the Defendants constitute a direct,
substantial ar	nd peculiar burden on Plaintiff's property interests and a taking of his property
without payn	nent of just compensation in violation of the California Constitution.

- 76. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants' intentional actions against Plaintiff failed to advance a legitimate state interest and deprived Plaintiff of the viable use and value of his property interest and caused the damages alleged herein.
- 77. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered direct and immediate financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes.
- 78. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

# INTENTIONAL INTERFERENCE WITH PROSPECTIVE ECONOMIC RELATIONS

# (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 79. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- 81. Plaintiff established an economic relationship with various real estate agents or brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers related to the property that would have resulted in an economic benefit to Plaintiff by leading to the sale of the subject property.
  - 82. Defendants knew of the relationship.
- 83. Defendants engaged in conduct intended to falsely signal to the real estate agents or brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers that there were issues with the subject property so as to affect their decision to proceed with a purchase of the property, encouraging them instead to avoid any consideration or purchase of the property. The subject property has gone into escrow on

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27 28 multiple occasions and has failed to sell due to Defendants' actions in disrupting the relationship.

- 84. By engaging in this conduct, Defendants intended to disrupt the economic relationship between Plaintiff and the real estate agents or brokers, purchasers, and prospective purchasers.
  - 85. The relationship was disrupted.
- 86. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.
- 87. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by 88. Plaintiff.

#### **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### **VIOLATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS, 42 U.S.C. § 1983**

# (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 89. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 90. Every person who, under color of any statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or usage, of any State or Territory or the District of Columbia, subjects, or causes to be subjected, any citizen of the United States or other person within the jurisdiction thereof to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution and laws, shall be liable to the party injured in an action at law, suit in equity, or other proper proceeding for redress.
- 91. Plaintiff had discussions with the FBI concerning their criminal investigation into the corruptive practices of CURRAN, SANTOS, and the Defendants.

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- 92. Plaintiff refused to participate in the ongoing scheme that was being perpetrated against him by CURRAN, SANTOS, and the Defendants, including, without limitation, firing Santos as the structural engineer on his renovation project for the subject property.
- 93. Defendants were aware and/or were under the belief that Plaintiff had discussions with the FBI and were aware and/or were under the belief that he refused to participate in the ongoing scheme.
- 94. Defendants acted under color of local ordinance and law by using their authority to retaliate against Plaintiff and deprive him of his right to freedom of speech guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. Defendants' unlawful actions included, without limitation, issuing and refusing to release frivolous code enforcement liens, issuing and refusing to release notices of violation, issuing and refusing to release abatement orders, revoking permits, revoking a certificate of completion, and making disparaging statements related to the subject property.
- 95. Defendants intentionally targeted the subject property because of Plaintiff's property interests and rights therein.
- 96. Defendants' actions were in direct response to and meant to cause the deprivation of Plaintiff's exercise of his right of freedom of speech.
- 97. Defendants' actions were in response to Plaintiff's statements concerning matters of public concern.
  - 98. Plaintiff was harmed as a result of Defendants' actions.
- 99. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered financial loss including, without limitation, decrease in market value of the subject property, lost profits, lost income, lost interest, expenditures for unnecessary repairs, and increased taxes. Plaintiff has also suffered severe emotional distress and irreparable harm to reputation.
- 100. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.

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#### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

## (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 102. Defendants acted outrageously in committing the acts alleged herein. Defendants abused their positions of authority to retaliate against and harass Plaintiff.
- Defendants intended to cause, or acted with reckless disregard that they would 103. cause, Plaintiff severe emotional distress.
- 104. Plaintiff has suffered emotional distress including, without limitation, shock, anxiety, stress, depression, humiliation, irreparable and physical manifestations of such distress as a result of Defendants' actions.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has suffered 105. severe injuries and sustained economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.
- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by 107. Plaintiff.

#### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **NEGLIGENCE**

# (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 108. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
  - 109. Defendants were negligent in committing the acts or omissions alleged herein.
- 110. Defendants owed a duty of care to Plaintiff to act in a reasonable, professional, honest, and timely manner.

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- 111. Defendants breached the duty of care owed to Plaintiff.
- 112. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions or inactions, Plaintiff has suffered severe injuries and sustained economic, non-economic, and pecuniary damages and all other damages available by law.
- 113. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been required to retain counsel to bring an action. Plaintiff is entitled to recover all attorney fees and costs incurred in bringing the action.
- 114. Defendants' actions were a substantial factor in causing the harm suffered by Plaintiff.

# SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **DECLARATORY RELIEF**

# (By Plaintiff against all Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 115. Plaintiff re-alleges as though fully set forth at length and incorporate herein by reference all of the allegations and statements contained within this Complaint.
- 116. At all relevant times, Plaintiff, through his trust, the Madison Trust FBO Patrick Gallagher, owned the subject property.
- 117. Defendants' refusal to, without limitation, release frivolous code enforcement liens, release notices of violation, release abatement orders, issue permits, and issue a certificate of completion has placed an untenable cloud on the title to the subject property, in that the property remains vacant and cannot be sold.
- 118. An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Defendants and Plaintiff in connection with the matters alleged herein.
- 119. No adequate remedy other than that herein prayed for exists by which the rights of the parties may be determined. A judicial determination resolving this actual controversy is necessary and appropriate at this time.

#### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as follows:

1. For general damages (also known as non-economic damages), according to proof;

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- 2. For special damages (also known as economic damages), according to proof;
- 3. For compensatory damages, according to proof;
- 4. For treble damages pursuant to Civil Code § 3345;
  - 5. For an order enjoining Defendants from violating Plaintiff's constitutional rights;
- 6. For injunctive relief;
  - 7. For punitive damages, according to proof;
  - 8. For prejudgment interest and pretrial interest, according to proof;
  - 9. For attorneys' fees and costs, according to proof;
  - 10. For damages for Plaintiff's other losses, according to proof;
  - 11. For all statutorily allowed damages; and
  - 12. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.

Dated: November 9, 2023 CALLAHAN & BLAINE, APLC

By: <u>/s/ Jonathan W. Hornberger</u>

Javier H. van Oordt Jonathan W. Hornberger

Attorneys for Plaintiff Patrick Gallagher

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# **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

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Plaintiff demands a jury trial on each and all of the causes of action set forth in this Complaint.

Dated: November 9, 2023 CALLAHAN & BLAINE, APLC

By: <u>/s/ Jonathan W. Hornberger</u>

Javier H. van Oordt
Jonathan W. Hornberger

Attorneys for Plaintiff Patrick Gallagher

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# Exhibit P

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# **VARIANCE FROM THE PLANNING CODE**

INFORMATIONAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION PACKET

ATTENTION: A Project Application must be completed and/or attached prior to submitting this Supplemental Application. See the Project Application for instructions.

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 305, the Zoning Administrator shall hear and make determinations regarding applications for variances from the strict application of quantitative standards in the Planning Code. The first pages consist of instructions which should be read carefully before the application form is completed.

For questions or more information, you can call the Planning counter at 628.652.7300 or email <u>pic@sfgov.org</u> where planners are able to assist you.

**Español:** Si desea ayuda sobre cómo llenar esta solicitud en español, por favor llame al 628.652.7550. Tenga en cuenta que el Departamento de Planificación requerirá al menos un día hábil para responder.

中文:如果您希望獲得使用中文填寫這份申請表的幫助,請致電628.652.7550。請注意,規劃部門需要至少一個工作日來回應。

**Filipino:** Kung gusto mo ng tulong sa pagkumpleto ng application na ito sa Filipino, paki tawagan ang 628.652.7550. Paki tandaan na mangangailangan ang Planning Department ng hindi kukulangin sa isang araw na pantrabaho para makasagot.

#### WHAT IS A VARIANCE?

The Planning Code regulates the use of property, including the size, design, and siting of buildings that may be constructed on a piece of property. The Planning Code has standards for buildings that govern such features as rear yards, front setbacks, usable open space, height, and parking. A variance is a request for an exception to a Planning Code standard. The Zoning Administrator is the City official that interprets and maintains the Planning Code.

#### WHEN IS A VARIANCE NECESSARY?

There may be special circumstances that make it difficult for a project to meet all of the Planning Code requirements. In those instances, a project sponsor may request that the Zoning Administrator grant a Variance from the Code provisions. Under the City Charter (Section 4.105), the Zoning Administrator has the power to grant only those variances that are consistent with the general purpose and the intent of the Planning Code. The power to grant a variance shall be applied only when the plain and literal interpretation and enforcement of the Code would "result in practical difficulties, unnecessary hardships, or where the results would be inconsistent with the general purpose of the [Code]."

Planning Code Section 305(c) outlines the five criteria that must be met in order for the Zoning Administrator to grant a variance. The Section 305(c) criteria are as follows:

- 1. That there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances applying to the property involved or to the intended use of the property that do not apply generally to other property or uses in the same class of district;
- 2. That owing to such exceptional or extraordinary circumstances the literal enforcement of specified provisions of this Code would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship not created by or attributable to the applicant or the owner of the property;
- 3. That such variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right of the subject property, possessed by other property in the same class of district;
- 4. That the granting of such variance will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or materially injurious to the property or improvements in the vicinity; and
- 5. That the granting of such variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this Code and will not adversely affect the General Plan.

#### **HOW DOES THE PROCESS WORK?**

Upon submittal of a complete application to the Planning Department, the Zoning Administrator will schedule a public hearing to consider whether to grant the Variance. Variance hearings typically occur on the last Wednesday of each month. Upon issuing the formal written decision either granting or denying the Variance in whole or in part, the Zoning Administrator shall forthwith transmit a copy the Variance decision letter to the applicant. The action of the Zoning Administrator shall be final and shall become effective 10 days after the date of his written decision except upon the filing of a valid appeal to the Board of Permit Appeals as provided in Section 308.2 of the Planning Code.

#### **FEES**

Please refer to the <u>Planning Department Fee Schedule</u> available at **www.sfplanning.org.** For questions related to the Fee Schedule, contact the Planning counter at the Permit Center by calling 628.652.7300 or by emailing <u>pic@sfgov.org</u>.

Fees will be determined based on the estimated construction costs. Should the cost of staff time exceed the initial fee paid, an additional fee for time and materials may be billed upon completion of the hearing process or permit approval. Additional fees may also be collected for preparation and recordation of any documents with the San Francisco Assessor-Recorder's office and for monitoring compliance with any conditions of approval.

# WHAT APPLICANTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

- A. The Zoning Administrator encourages applicants to meet with all community groups and parties interested in their application early in the entitlement process. In many cases, this is required as part of the Pre-application process. Department staff is available to assist in determining how to contact interested groups. Neighborhood organization lists are available on the Department's website. Notice of the hearing will be sent to groups in or near the neighborhood of the project. The applicant may be contacted by the Planning Department staff with requests for additional information or clarification. An applicant's cooperation will facilitate the timely review of the application.
- B. The Zoning Administrator requests that applicants familiarize themselves with the procedure for public hearings, which are excerpted from the Planning Commission's Rules and Regulations below.

**Hearings.** A public hearing may be held on any matter before the Zoning Administrator at either a Regular (every 4th Wednesday of the month) or a Special Meeting. The procedure for such public hearings shall be as follows:

- 1. A description of the issue by Zoning Administrator along with the Planning Department's recommendation.
- 2. A presentation of the proposal by the project sponsor for a period not to exceed 5 minutes.
- 3. A presentation of opposition to the proposal, by organized opposition, for a period not to exceed 3 minutes.
- 4. Public testimony from proponents of the proposal. An individual may speak for a period not to exceed 3 minutes.
- 5. Public testimony from opponents of the proposal would be taken under conditions parallel to those imposed on proposal proponents, not to exceed 3 minutes.
- 6. The project sponsor or applicant will be given a period, not to exceed 3 minutes, within which to clarify any questions raised in previous testimony.
- 7. Discussion by the Zoning Administrator on the matter.
- 8. The Zoning Administrator may impose time limits on appearances by members of the public and may otherwise exercise his or her discretion on procedures for the conduct of public hearings.
- C. **Opportunities for Appeals by Other Bodies:** Zoning Administrator actions on Variances are final unless appealed to the Board of Appeals within 10 days of the Zoning Administrator's written decision.



# VARIANCE FROM THE PLANNING CODE

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

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Project Address: 200 naples st Block/Lot(s): 6008/001

The Project is seeking a variance from Planning Code Section(s):

# **Variance Findings**

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 305(c), before approving a variance application, the Zoning Administrator needs to find that the facts presented are such to establish the findings stated below. In the space below and on separate paper, if necessary, please present facts sufficient to establish each finding.

1. That there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances applying to the property involved or to the intended use of the property that do not apply generally to other property or uses in the same class of district;

yes. im told that parking is not allowed in the rear of the property. however the house faces naples as does the existing driveway. this lot number 1 in the neighborhood. residents of 200 naples have been parkinthere since 1907. at one point the curb was cut for the existing drivewat but got filled in during ada work on the upper corner sidewalk. its the only place for off street parking on this property

2. That owing to such exceptional or extraordinary circumstances the literal enforcement of specified provisions of this Code would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship not created by or attributable to the applicant or the owner of the property;

without the variance, im told i wont have offstreet parking. however this property underwent a seismic retrofit and thus now complies with s.f. ordinance 95-17 which provides for off street parking ALSO ONDEWBALL 117-08 anywhere accesable to the lot. page 7 and 8 of 95-17

3. That such variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right of the subject property, possessed by other property in the same class of district;

apparently, without this variance, ill have the only property without off street parking. ab094 dictates that as long as property complies with 95-17....off street parking is allowed

4. That the granting of such variance will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or materially injurious to the property or improvements in the vicinity;

it wont affect anyone else in the neighborhood

5. That the granting of such variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this Code and will not adversely affect the General Plan.

it wont have an adverse effect on anyone

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# APPLICANT'S AFFIDAVIT

Under penalty of perjury the following declarations are made:

- a) The undersigned is the owner or authorized agent of the owner of this property.
- b) The information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- c) Other information or applications may be required.
- d) I hereby authorize City and County of San Francisco Planning staff to conduct a site visit of this property as part of the City's review of this application, making all portions of the interior and exterior accessible through completion of construction and in response to the monitoring of any condition of approval.
- e) I attest that personally identifiable information (PII) i.e. social security numbers, driver's license numbers, bank accounts have not been provided as part of this application. Furthermore, where supplemental information is required by this application, PII has been redacted prior to submittal to the Planning Department. I understand that any information provided to the Planning Department becomes part of the public record and can be made available to the public for review and/or posted to Department websites.

Signature		Name (Printed)	8
Date	-1		
Relationship to Project (i.e. Owner, Architect, etc.)	Phone	Email	
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For Department Use Only Application received by Planning	Department:		
Rve		Date:	

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# Exhibit Q



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## **VARIANCE DECISION**

 Date:
 July 27, 2022

 Case No.:
 2021-011391VAR

 Project Address:
 200 NAPLES ST

 Block/Lots:
 6008 / 001

**Zoning:** RH-1 (RESIDENTIAL- HOUSE, ONE FAMILY)

**Height/Bulk:** 40-X Height and Bulk District

**Applicant:** Patrick Gallagher

PO Box 1784

Discovery Bay, CA 94505

Owner: MADISON TRUST CO FBO PATRICK P GALLAGHER

P.O Box 523

Byron, CA 94514

**Staff Contact:** Jeffrey Speirs – 628-652-7357

Jeffrey.Speirs@sfgov.org

## **Description of Variance - Rear Yard Variance Sought:**

The proposal is to establish two off-street parking spaces in the rear yard, accessed from Naples Street.

Planning Code Section 134 requires the subject property to maintain a rear yard of approximately 30 feet, which is 30% of lot depth. Planning Code Section 136(c)(30) clarifies that parking is not permitted in required yards. The two off-street parking spaces would be located within the required rear yard. Therefore, a variance is required.

## **Procedural Background:**

- 1. The Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") as a Class 1 categorical exemption.
- 2. The Zoning Administrator held a public hearing on Variance Application No. 2021-011391VAR on May 25, 2022.
- 3. Planning Code Section 311 notification is not required for the associated building permit.

## **Decision:**

**DENIED,** in general conformity with the plans on file with this application, shown as EXHIBIT A, to establish two off-street parking spaces in the rear yard of the two-story, single-family building that would obstruct into the lot's required rear yard.

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## **Findings:**

Section 305(c) of the Planning Code states that in order to grant a variance, the Zoning Administrator must determine that the facts of the case are sufficient to establish the following five findings:

### FINDING 1.

That there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances applying to the property involved or to the intended use of the property that do not apply generally to other properties or uses in the same class of district.

## Requirement Not Met.

A. There are no exceptional or extraordinary circumstances applying the subject property. The existing corner lot is typical in every way, with a rectangular shape, a width of 25 feet, an area of nearly 2,500 square feet, and no slope. The lot is already developed with an existing 2-story, single-family building. While the property does not contain an off-street parking space, none are required by the Planning Code.

### **FINDING 2.**

That owing to such exceptional and extraordinary circumstances the literal enforcement of specified provisions of this Code would result in a practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship not created by or attributed to the applicant or the owner of the property.

## Requirement Not Met.

A. As stated above, there are no exceptional or extraordinary circumstances that result in any unnecessary hardship or practical difficulty related the subject property. The variances are triggered by the property owners proposed actions to add private off-street parking that is not required by the Planning Code.

## FINDING 3.

That such variance is necessary for preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right of the subject property, possessed by other property in the same class of district.

## Requirement Not Met.

A. Most properties provide usable open space at grade within the required rear yard, and off-street parking screened from view in the buildable area of the lot. The subject property is not required to provide off-street parking in the RH-1 District. Given these facts, the subject variance is not necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right possessed by other property in the same class of district.

## **FINDING 4.**

That the granting of such variance will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or materially injurious to the property or improvements in the vicinity.



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## Requirement Not Met.

A. Off-street parking is not required for the subject lot. Granting the variance would privatize the curb space for a single lot by removing a public parking space from the street, which would impact the availability of public parking in the area.

### FINDING 5.

The granting of such variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this Code and will not adversely affect the General Plan.

## Requirement Not Met.

- A. This development is not consistent with the generally stated intent and purpose of the Planning Code to promote orderly and beneficial development. Planning Code Section 101.1 establishes eight priority-planning policies and requires review of variance applications for consistency with said policies. The project does not meet all relevant policies.
  - 1. Existing neighborhood retail uses will not be adversely affected by the proposed project.
  - 2. The proposed project will not be in keeping with the existing housing and neighborhood character because it is not typical to park vehicles in a lot's rear yard.
  - 3. The proposed project will have no effect on the City's supply of affordable housing.
  - 4. The proposed project will adversely affect neighborhood parking by removing on-street parking space to provide private parking in the rear yard.
  - 5. The project will have no effect on the City's industrial and service sectors.
  - 6. The proposed project will have no effect on the City's preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake.
  - 7. The project will have no effect on the City's landmarks or historic buildings.
  - 8. The project would not affect any existing or planned public parks or open spaces.

The effective date of this decision shall be either the date of this decision letter if not appealed, or the date of the Notice of Decision and Order if appealed to the Board of Appeals.

Once any portion of the granted variance is used, all specifications and conditions of the variance authorization become immediately operative.

**Protest of Fee or Exaction:** You may protest any fee or exaction subject to Government Code Section 66000 that is imposed as a condition of approval by following the procedures set forth in Government Code Section 66020. The protest must satisfy the requirements of Government Code Section 66020(a) and must be filed within 90 days of the date of the first approval or conditional approval of the development referencing the challenged fee



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or exaction. For purposes of Government Code Section 66020, the date of imposition of the fee shall be the date of the earliest discretionary approval by the City of the subject development.

If the City has not previously given Notice of an earlier discretionary approval of the project, the Planning Commission's adoption of this Motion, Resolution, Discretionary Review Action or the Zoning Administrator's Variance Decision Letter constitutes the approval or conditional approval of the development and the City hereby gives **NOTICE** that the 90-day protest period under Government Code Section 66020 has begun. If the City has already given Notice that the 90-day approval period has begun for the subject development, then this document does not re-commence the 90-day approval period.

APPEAL: Any aggrieved person may appeal this variance decision to the Board of Appeals within ten (10) days after the date of the issuance of this Variance Decision. For further information, please contact the Board of Appeals in person at 49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 1475 (14th Floor), call 628-652-1150, or visit <a href="https://www.sfgov.org/bdappeal">www.sfgov.org/bdappeal</a>.

Very truly yours,

Corey A. Teague, AICP Zoning Administrator

This is not a permit to commence any work or change occupancy. Permits from appropriate departments must be secured before work is started or occupancy is changed.



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## Exhibit R

## **BOARD OF APPEALS, CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

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VS.		)		- 81	8 2	*
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR,		_)				
NA	Respondent					

## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** on July 27, 2022, the above named appellant(s) filed an appeal with the Board of Appeals of the City and County of San Francisco from the decision or order of the above named department(s), commission, or officer.

The substance or effect of the decision or order appealed from is the ISSUANCE on July 27, 2022, of a Variance (the proposal is to establish two off-street parking spaces in the rear yard, accessed from Naples Street. The proposal does not meet any of the five findings required by Planning Code Section 305(c) to grant a variance) at 200 Naples Street.

## APPLICATION NO. Case No. 2021-011391VAR

## FOR HEARING ON August 17, 2022

Address of Appellant(s):	Address of Other Parties:	
Patrick Gallagher, Appellant(s) PO Box 1784 Discovery Bay, CA 94505	N/A	
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## Exhibit S

## **BOARD OF APPEALS, CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

Appeal of PATRICK GALLAGHER,	Appeal No. 22-053
Appellant(s)	
vs.	
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR,	
Respondent	

## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Appeals of the City and County of San Francisco from the decision or order of the above named department(s); Commission, or officer.

The substance or effect of the decision or order appealed from is the ISSUANCE on July 27, 2022, of a Variance Decision to Patrick Gallagher (DENIAL of a Rear Yard Variance; the proposal is to establish two off-street parking spaces in the rear yard that would be accessed from Naples Street; the proposal does not meet any of the five findings required by Planning Code Section 305(c) to grant a variance) at 200 Naples Street.

## CASE NO. 2021-011391VAR

## FOR HEARING ON August 17, 2022

Address of Other Parties:
N/A

## **NOTICE OF DECISION & ORDER**

The hearing on the aforementioned matter came before the Board of Appeals of the City & County of San Francisco on August 17, 2022.

PURSUANT TO § 4.106 of the Charter of the City & County of San Francisco and Article 1, §14 of the Business & Tax Regulations Code of the said City & County, and the action above stated, the Board of Appeals hereby DENIES THE APPEAL AND ORDERS that the ISSUANCE of the Variance Decision (Denial of a Rear Yard Variance) by the Zoning Administrator is UPHELD on the basis that the five findings required by Planning Code Section 305(c) were not met.

BOARD OF APPEALS CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

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Rick Swig, President

Last Day to Request Rehearing: August 29, 2022 Rehearing Request: None.

Rehearing: None.

Notice Released: August 30, 2022

Julie Rosenberg, Executive Director

If this decision is subject to review under Code of Civil Procedure § 1094.5, then the time within which judicial review must be sought is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure, §1094.6.

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## Exhibit T

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Northern District of California

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CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO

BERNARD CURI	v. RAN and ROD	RIGO SANTOS	) Case No. 3-21-mj-	71315 MAG	
	Defendant(s)		)		
		CRIMINAL	COMPLAINT		
I, the compla	ninant in this ca	ase, state that the follow	ving is true to the best of my	knowledge and belief.	
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				mplainant's signature	
Approved as to form/ <sub>S</sub> / AUSA _Casey Boome		Special	Agent Allison Lopez, FE	31	
Sworn to before me	by telephone.		P	писа пате ина ине	
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				Judge's signature	
City and state:	San	Francisco, CA	Joseph C. Spe	ro, Chief U.S. Magistra	te Judge

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## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, Allison Lopez, Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, being duly sworn, state:

## **INTRODUCTION**

- This affidavit is presented in support of a criminal complaint and application for summonses and arrest warrants for Bernard CURRAN ("CURRAN") and Rodrigo SANTOS ("SANTOS") for their honest services wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1343 and 1346.
- 2. CURRAN was a Senior Building Inspector at the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) in San Francisco, California, where CURRAN worked since 2005. On May 20, 2021, CURRAN was placed on paid administrative leave pending the findings of an investigation by the San Francisco City Attorney's Office into unreported income and gifts. After being placed on leave, CURRAN resigned from his position at DBI.
- 3. SANTOS is a prominent structural engineer in San Francisco, California. SANTOS was the principal and co-founder of SANTOS & Urrutia Structural Engineers, Inc. ("S&U"), a structural engineering company based in the Mission neighborhood. Over the last two decades, SANTOS has received several political appointments related to his engineering work. For example, Mayor Willie Brown appointed SANTOS to the San Francisco Building Inspection Commission (BIC) in 2000. In 2004, Mayor Gavin Newson appointed SANTOS as BIC President. In 2012, Mayor Ed Lee appointed SANTOS to the City College Board of Trustees in San Francisco. SANTOS' day-to-day work consists of providing engineering services to clients and working with project owners and other

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- contractors through his structural engineering company. This includes work obtaining building permits from local municipalities, including San Francisco.
- 4. I submit that there is probable cause to find that CURRAN and SANTOS committed honest services wire fraud. As set forth in greater detail below, SANTOS knew that CURRAN supported and participated in activities at the San Francisco Golden Gate Rugby Association, a non-profit organization where CURRAN volunteers and where one of CURRAN's children plays rugby. SANTOS leveraged CURRAN's affinity for the organization to influence CURRAN's official duties as a DBI inspector. Specifically, SANTOS urged his clients to make charitable contributions to the Golden Gate Rugby Association, and in exchange for the stream of benefits flowing to the charity, CURRAN gave SANTOS' clients favorable official treatment. In at least two instances, CURRAN gave final inspection approval on permits for SANTOS' clients without the work necessary to comply with the permit ever being completed. Most of the projects for which CURRAN gave approval for SANTOS' donor-clients were outside of the district to which CURRAN was assigned with DBI, and as such, the inspections should have been the responsibility of another Senior Building Inspector or their subordinates.

## AFFIANT BACKGROUND

5. I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and have been since January 2016. I received approximately 20 weeks of training at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. During that time, I received training in various areas including evidence collection, interviewing, legal procedure and process, source management, investigative technology, firearms and tactical training, and defensive tactics. I am currently assigned to the Public Corruption squad of the FBI's San Francisco Field Division. I am

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responsible for investigating, among other things, violations concerning bank and wire fraud, bribery, obstruction of justice, and extortion. Prior to my work in Public Corruption, I was assigned to the Violent Crimes Against Children squad. I have a master's degree in Forensic Psychology, and I am a certified Crisis Negotiator.

6. I am an "investigative or law enforcement officer of the United States" within the meaning of Section 2510(7) of Title 18, United States Code, that is, an officer of the United States who is empowered by law to conduct investigations of, and to make arrests for, offenses enumerated in Title 18, United States Code, Section 2516. The contents of this affidavit are based upon the following: my own investigation; information obtained from other law enforcement agencies; my review of documents and computer records related to this investigation; oral and written communications with others who have personal knowledge of the events and circumstances described herein; review of public information, including information available on the Internet; review of records received via legal process; and my experience and background as a special agent of the FBI. Statements made by witnesses and other individuals referenced in this affidavit have been paraphrased. Since this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of securing an arrest warrant and order, I have not included each and every fact known to me concerning this investigation. I have set forth only the facts that I believe are necessary to establish probable cause to believe that violations of United States laws occurred.

## APPLICABLE LAW

7. Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 1346, prohibit honest services wire fraud.

The elements of the offense are as follows:

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- The defendant knowingly devised or participated in a scheme to defraud the
  public of its right to the honest services of a public official through bribery or
  kickbacks in breach of the official's fiduciary duty;
- 2. The defendant did so knowingly and with an intent to defraud, that is, the intent to deceive or cheat the public of honest services;
- 3. The scheme or artifice to defraud involved a deception, misrepresentation, false statement, false pretense, or concealment that was material; and
- 4. The defendant used, or caused to be used, an interstate or foreign wire communication to carry out or attempt to carry out an essential part of the scheme.
- 8. While I submit that the evidence set forth below demonstrates that SANTOS facilitated a stream of benefits to CURRAN's favorite charity in exchange for official action, honest services wire fraud does not require the bribe or kickback be completed, or that official action was actually taken, because the criminal act is the creation of a "scheme" to defraud. See Pasquantino v. United States, 544 U.S. 349, 371(2005) ("the wire fraud statute punishes the scheme, not its success") (citations quotations omitted); Schreiber Distrib. Co. v. Serv-Well Furniture Co., 806 F.2d 1393, 1400 (9th Cir. 1986) (for mail and wire fraud, it is not necessary to show that the scheme was successful or that the intended victim suffered a loss or that the defendants secured a gain); see also United States v. Kimbrew, 944 F.3d 810, 815 (9th Cir. 2019) (ability for bribery of a public official, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 201(b)(2)(A), "does not depend on an outcome; the offense is complete at the moment of agreement, and that agreement need not even be accompanied by the bribe recipient's genuine intentions to follow through"). In addition, "anyone who

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knowingly and intentionally participates in the execution of [a] fraudulent scheme comes within the prohibition of the mail and wire fraud statutes regardless of whether the defendant devised the scheme." *United States v. Holden*, 908 F.3d 395, 400 (9th Cir. 2018) (citation omitted), *cert. denied*, 139 S. Ct. 1645 (2019).

## THE SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

- 9. The San Francisco Department of Building Inspection ("DBI") is the regulatory agency responsible for overseeing the enforcement of building, electrical, plumbing, disability access, and housing codes for commercial and residential buildings in the City and County of San Francisco. DBI's enforcement of building codes is complex, and as such, most property owners seeking to build or renovate in San Francisco rely on professionals to navigate the system on their behalf—usually a contractor, engineer, and/or permit expediter.
- 10. The first hurdle that a property owner must clear to shepherd a project from inception to completion is to obtain a permit from DBI. The permitting process is designed to ensure that the proposed construction or renovation project will comply with all applicable codes and ordinances. To obtain a permit, the property owner ("sponsor") or the sponsor's representative (contractor, engineer, or expediter) must apply for a permit by completing a permit application and submitting other necessary paperwork to DBI. If the project is sufficiently broad in scope, the sponsor must submit plans along with the permit application. Depending on the "scope of work" described in the application, the plans/permit may require review by one or more specialized departments, including the SF Housing Authority, Fire Safety, Plumbing, or Electrical. If DBI determines that the application and plans comply with all applicable codes, DBI will formally issue a building

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permit authorizing the project to commence according to the approved scope of work and plans. The project sponsor is not authorized to make any material changes to the property until DBI issues a building permit and the sponsor pays any fees associated with the permit (usually calculated as a percentage of the total project costs).

- 11. Another critical regulatory hurdle is a physical inspection of the work by a DBI building inspector. The purpose of the inspection is to verify that the job has been completed according to the scope of work and plans authorized by the permit. Normally, a DBI inspector with responsibility over the district where the property is located will conduct the inspection. According to DBI procedures, line inspectors conduct most inspections while the senior building inspectors supervise line inspectors and weigh in on unusual issues, usually at the request of a line inspector. A given project may require multiple inspections, depending on the scope of work. For instance, a bathroom addition may require an interim inspection to confirm that all pipes and plumbing components have been properly installed before the contractor covers the pipes with drywall (called an "ok to cover" inspection).
- 12. According to a DBI Official ("DBI Official-1"), during a typical final inspection, a DBI inspector should go to the subject property with the project sponsor or the sponsor's representative, who should provide the inspector with the approved permit and plans. The inspector should examine the permit and plans to determine whether the sponsor completed the work properly. If the work has been completed according to the approved plans, the inspector should "final" the permit and, if applicable, issue a certificate of final

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each line DBI building inspector is assigned to one of 18 geographic districts in the City. Each inspector has primary responsibility for conducting building inspections in his/her district. Senior building inspectors are assigned to supervise multiple districts and the line supervisors assigned to those districts.

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completion and occupancy ("CFC"), which gives the sponsor the legal authority to begin using the property for its approved purpose (*e.g.*, residential, office, retail, or other use). If the project has not been completed according to the permit and plans, the inspector should note the discrepancies and instruct the sponsor to remedy the issue before "finaling" the permit and issuing a CFC.

13. DBI maintains a public-facing online database, the "Permit Tracking System" or "PTS", which contains approval and inspection information for each permit issued in San Francisco. According to DBI procedure, building inspectors must log property inspections in PTS, including the date, purpose, inspector's name, and findings.

## **FACTS SUPPORTING PROBABLE CAUSE**

SANTOS solicited donations from his clients intending to use them to influence CURRAN.

14. As set forth in the paragraphs below, text messages found on SANTOS' cell phone (which was searched and seized pursuant to a federal search warrant) show that SANTOS solicited individuals for donations to the San Francisco Golden Gate Rugby Association while attributing the charity to CURRAN.<sup>2</sup> As demonstrated by the messages below, SANTOS most often requested a donation from his clients immediately after discussing an official action by CURRAN (*e.g.* issuing final inspection approval, coming to the client's property for a final inspection, or issuing a CFC). As will be discussed in greater detail below, on several occasions SANTOS informed his client's that checks written to the rugby association were intended to help influence CURRAN, but SANTOS deposited

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On numerous occasions, when directing his clients to write checks to the organization, SANTOS incorrectly stated the name of the organization. However, the charity still deposited these checks and many others like them, despite the "pay to the order" line of the check often having a variation on the name of the charity (*e.g.* "Golden Gate Youth Rugby Association" or "Golden Gate Rugby Foundation"), rather than the correct name.

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those checks into his own person checking account instead of passing them along to CURRAN.

## 900 Block of Guerrero Street

15. On June 8, 2017, SANTOS and "Client-1" exchanged the following text messages about permitting issues related to Client-1's renovation project:

Client-1 (to SANTOS): Some mortgage brokers are concerned that their lenders won't close if there is only a TCO<sup>4</sup>. Can we get a CO by July 1?

SANTOS (to Client-1): Yes. Write a check payable to San Francisco Golden

Gate Rugby association for \$1,500.00 (Bernie Curran's club). Curran will issue the CFC.

Client-1 (to SANTOS): Okay. Should I drop it by tomorrow? SANTOS (to Client-1): Yes please.

16. Between June and October 2017, SANTOS and Client-1 continued to exchange text messages relating to the project on the 900 block of Guerrero Street. SANTOS told Client-1 on numerous occasions that any problems with the project would be fixed soon and that CURRAN would issue the CFC shortly. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system for the project on the 900 block of Guerrero Street, San Francisco, California showed CURRAN as the final approver on October 13, 2017, for two building permits related to property.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Throughout this affidavit, "Client" refers to property owners or their agents working with SANTOS on the projects discussed herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> DBI defines "TCO" on its website as "Temporary Certificate of Occupancy," which is normally issued to property owners who request permission to occupy their property before all work allowed under a building permit has been finished, and for which a CFC is required.

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17. A review of a JP Morgan Chase account belonging to the Golden Gate Rugby Association was conducted and a check for \$1,500.00 written by Client-1's company dated June 9, 2017 was deposited into the account.

## 1000 Block of Alabama Street

18. On January 29, 2018, SANTOS and Client-2, the contractor for the project, exchanged the following text messages about the remodel and structural upgrade project in which they discussed CURRAN conducting a final inspection at the property.

SANTOS (to Client-2): Bernie Curran will meet me at the site in twenty minutes. Please allow access.

Client-2 (to SANTOS): I'll be there in 5

SANTOS (to Client-2): Two checks One payable to Santos and Urrutia for \$3k

One payable to Golden Gate Youth Rugby Association for \$1k

Client-2 (to SANTOS): I'll pass it on

SANTOS (to Client-2): Thanks. We are done!

Client-2 (to SANTOS): Thank you for all the help!

19. On January 29, 2018, SANTOS and Client-3, the property owner for the Alabama Street project, exchanged the following text messages in which SANTOS informed Client-3 that CURRAN had just finaled the permit for Client-3's project:

SANTOS (to Client-3): The eagle has landed! Two checks One to Santos and Urrutia for \$3k and one for Golden Gate youth rugby association for \$1k Client-3 (to SANTOS): Hallelujah and thanks so much. Will come by your office tomorrow morning.

- 20. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system for the property located on the 1000 block of Alabama Street, San Francisco, California showed CURRAN as the final approver on January 29, 2018 for a permit related to the property.
- 21. A review of DBI's website showed that the property on the 1000 block of Alabama Street was in DBI's Building Inspection Division district eight. Per a DBI organizational chart effective October 23, 2017, a DBI Senior Building Inspector other than CURRAN was the senior building inspector with authority over district eight.
- 22. A check from Client-3 dated February 1, 2018 for \$1,000 was deposited into a JP Morgan Chase account belonging to the Golden Gate Rugby Association.

## 700 Block of Wisconsin Street

23. On April 24, 2018, SANTOS and Client-4 exchanged the following text messages regarding permitting for Client-4's project:

Client-4 (to SANTOS): Please don't forget the job card

SANTOS (to Client-4): I have it with me. Write a check for \$500 payable to

Golden Gate youth Rugby association.

Client-4 (to SANTOS): All ready did

SANTOS (to Client-4): Thank you.

24. On May 4, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Dear Senior: Any assistance of the CFC for [the address on the 700 block of] Wisconsin will be greatly appreciated. [Client-4's] permit expires tomorrow.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): I will write it this afternoon when I get back at three

25. On May 4, 2018, SANTOS and Client-4 exchanged the following text messages:

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SANTOS (to Client-4): CFC will be ready this afternoon. Write a check payable to Golden Gate Rugby Association for \$300.

Client-4 (to SANTOS): No problem When can I see it online?

SANTOS (to Client-4): I will pick up the CFC this afternoon after 3:30 pm.

Drop off the check at my office before 2 pm.

Client-4 (to SANTOS): That's fine. I will come back for the CFC after 3:30. I don't want to wait until Monday.

- 26. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system showed permit related to the property on the 700 Block of Wisconsin Street received pre-final approval from CURRAN on May 4, 2018 and a final inspection approval and issuance of CFC from CURRAN on August 3, 2018.
- 27. A review of DBI's website showed the property on the 700 block of Wisconsin Street was in DBI's Building Inspection Division district eight. Per a DBI organizational chart effective February 20, 2018, a Senior Building Inspector other than CURRAN had authority over district eight.
- 28. A review of the Golden Gate Rugby Association's JP Morgan Account was conducted and a check for \$300.00 written by Client-4 dated May 4, 2018, was present in the account.

  The memo line of the check read, "thank you".

## 3900 Block of 24th Street

29. SANTOS and Client-5, who works in construction in San Francisco, worked on several projects together, including one located on the 3900 block of 24th Street, San Francisco, California. On January 20, 2019, SANTOS and Client-5 exchanged the following text messages in reference to the project on the 3900 block of 24th Street:

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SANTOS (to Client-5): Drop off a check payable to the Golden Gate Rugby Association for \$500. Bernie's favorite nonprofit.

Client-5 (to SANTOS): Will do

s). will do

SANTOS (to Client-5): Drop off the Bernie check first thing this morning please.

Client-5 (to SANTOS): Will be in around 7

SANTOS (to Client-5): Sounds good. Will be bringing Bernie Curran to the site on Friday.

30. Client-6 was the owner of the property on the 3900 block of 24th Street. On January 20, 2019, SANTOS sent the following message to Client-6:

SANTOS (to Client-6): Drop off a check payable to Golden Gate Rugby Association for \$500. This will smooth the inspection with the Senior DBI Inspector.

- 31. Client-6 later told the FBI, that he consulted his attorney about SANTOS' request for a donation to the Golden Gate Rugby Association to "smooth the inspection with the Senior DBI Inspector" and was advised by his attorney it was a line he did not want to cross. Client-6 did not make out the check to Golden Gate Rugby Association as requested by SANTOS. Client-6 told SANTOS to leave him out of anything related to the Rugby Association and to do the plans the right way. Client-6 reported to the FBI that he did not feel there were any negative consequences for his decision with respect to the project.
- 32. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system showed multiple permits for Client-6's property located on the 3900 block of 24th Street, San Francisco, California. None of these permits had been completed and therefore none have required final inspection approval at this stage.

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## CURRAN was aware of the donations and understood their purpose in the scheme to defraud.

33. On numerous occasions, SANTOS sent text messages to CURRAN stating that SANTOS' clients had written checks or made donations to the Golden Gate Rugby Association in connection with specific projects. In several instances, SANTOS informed CURRAN about donations made by his clients while also asking CURRAN to take some official action for the benefit of the client.

## 900 Block of South Van Ness

34. Client-7 is member of the trust that owns the property located on the 900 block of South Van Ness Ave. On April 16, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages about the property in which SANTOS asked CURRAN to conduct an inspection immediately before notifying CURRAN about the client's donation:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Can we schedule a final for [the 900 block of] South Van Ness? Client has given me his SF GG Rugby contribution.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Let me check it this morning

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Thank you Senior. I am five minutes away from the site.

- 35. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system showed a permit related to the property on the 900 block of South Van Ness Avenue received a final inspection approval and issuance of CFC from CURRAN on April 20, 2018.
- 36. The property located on the 900 block of South Van Ness Avenue was located in DBI's Building Inspection Division's district eight. Per a DBI organizational chart effective February 20, 2018, an individual other than CURRAN was the Senior Building Inspector in district eight.

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## 700 Block of Wisconsin Street

37. On May 4, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages in which CURRAN agreed to do an inspection at the project located on the 700 block of Wisconsin Street (discussed above at ¶¶ 23-28) and SANTOS informed CURRAN about the client's donation:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Dear Senior: Any assistance of the CFC for [the address on the 700 block of] Wisconsin will be greatly appreciated. [Client-4's] permit expires tomorrow.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): I will write it this afternoon when I get back at three SANTOS (to CURRAN): Thank you Senior. She [Client-4] will make an additional contribution to the good cause.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): That's not necessary she has done more than enough **2000 Block of Bryant Street** 

38. On December 6, 2018, SANTOS and Client-8 exchanged the following text messages shortly after CURRAN, Client-8, and SANTOS had met at the property to discuss a code violation and the work and permit required to remedy the violation.<sup>5</sup>

SANTOS (to Client-8): Please have [Client-8's employer] write a check for \$500 payable to the 'San Francisco Golden Gate Rugby Association'.

Client-8 (to SANTOS): It'll likely be from me. Is that cool? SANTOS (to Client-8): Sure

39. On December 7, 2018, SANTOS and Client-8 exchanged the following text messages:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This property on the 2000 block of Bryant Street was adjacent to a building being constructed by Client-8's employer and his company. Client-8 was an employee of this company her responsibilities included interfacing with the neighbors.

Client-8 (to SANTOS): I see he [CURRAN] closed out the permit but how do we close out the complaint

SANTOS (to Client-8): Bernie will be abating the complaint.

Client-8 (to SANTOS): Can I just mail in check or should I give directly to him?

SANTOS (to Client-8): Give it to me and I will deliver it to Bernie.

Client-8 (to SANTOS): K cool

40. On December 13, 2018, SANTOS exchanged the following text messages with CURRAN:

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Hey Rodrigo do you have a contact phone number for

[Client-8] I want to call and thank her for her donation

SANTOS (to CURRAN): I will forward her phone number to you shortly.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Yeah make sure she's OK with it.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Whatever that attachment was you sent did not come through

SANTOS (to CURRAN): She is absolutely okay with it.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Great, thank you.

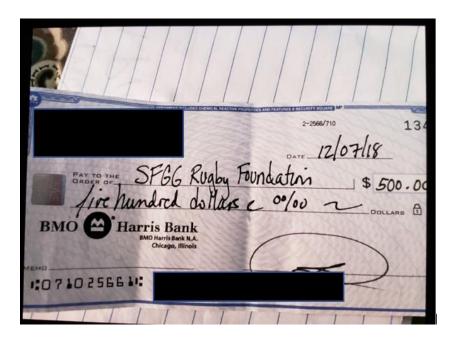
CURRAN (to SANTOS): Don't forget to send me Client-8's number if it was in an attachment you sent earlier it did not come through.

SANTOS (to CURRAN): [SANTOS provides CURRAN with Client-8's name and telephone number]

41. An image of a check written to "SFGG Rugby Foundation" by Client-8 was found on CURRAN's personal cell phone during a search of the device pursuant to a search warrant issued in the Northern District of California. Information stored in CURRAN's phone

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shows that CURRAN's phone captured the picture, indicating that CURRAN was in possession of the check from Client-8.<sup>6</sup>



42. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system for the property located on the 2000 block of Bryant Street showed that a Notice of Violation (NOV) related to the property was abated (*i.e.*, resolved) on December 6, 2018, with the following comment, "[2000 block of Bryant permit] has been issued and completed to comply with this complaint. b.curran." This permit related to the property on the 2000 block of Bryant Street showed in DBI's on-line system as final inspection/approved by CURRAN with a date of December 6, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> During an interview with Client-8, she told me that the check she wrote was from an account that had issued her checks that had printing error on them and therefore, the check, had it been deposited, would have bounced. Client-8 contacted SANTOS and asked him to tell CURRAN not to deposit the check for this reason. In January 2019, Client-8 wrote a second check to the Golden Gate Rugby Association, but this check was never cashed.

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- 43. The property located on the 2000 of Bryant Street is located in DBI Building Inspection Division district eight. Per a DBI organizational chart effective December 18, 2018, an individual other than CURRAN was the Senior Building Inspector for district eight.
- 44. Consistent with SANTOS' instruction to Client-8 (*i.e.* "Give [the check] to me and I will deliver it to Bernie."), it was SANTOS' regular practice to direct clients to write checks to the Golden Gate Rugby Association and deliver the checks to him. SANTOS would then deliver the checks to CURRAN, ensuring that CURRAN would know that SANTOS had arranged the donation. For instance, SANTOS often directed clients to drop off a check payable to the Golden Gate Rugby Association along with a check payable to S&U. This was the case on April 26, 2018, when SANTOS sent the following text message to Client-7:

SANTOS (to Client-7): Please drop off a check for \$500 payable to SF Golden Gate Rugby Association and a check payabke [sic] to Santos and Urrutia for \$2K for 1475 Church Street.

45. SANTOS' January 29, 2018, exchange with his Client-3 provides another example:

SANTOS (to Client-3): The eagle has landed! Two checks One to Santos and

Urrutia for \$3k and one for Golden Gate youth rugby association for \$1k

Client-3 (to SANTOS): Hallelujah and thanks so much. Will come by your office tomorrow morning.

CURRAN provided corrupt benefits to SANTOS' clients in exchange for the stream of donations

46. I submit that the evidence shows that CURRAN was aware of the donations to the Golden Gate Rugby Association that SANTOS solicited from his clients and took official actions based on those donations. On several occasions, CURRAN gave final inspection approval

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for SANTOS' clients on projects where work had not been completed in accordance with the permit or plans.

## 1300 Block of Utah Street

47. Between September 25 and September 27, 2017, SANTOS exchanged the following text message with Client-9, an individual working on behalf of the owners of the property located on the 1300 block of Utah Street in San Francisco, California. In the following conversation, the issue discussed is the need to resolve several building code violations contained in several Notices of Violation ("NOV") at the property by obtaining new permits for the work required to abate the violations.

Client-9 (to SANTOS): System still shows violations

SANTOS (to Client-9): Going to DBI this morning to talk to Bernie Curran. I will report back.

SANTOS (to Client-9): I mus [sic] sent you an email from Curran. No violation on [an address on a perpendicular street address provided by SANTOS]. What is the Utah address?

Client-9 (to SANTOS): [Client-9 provides SANTOS with the Utah Street address and informs SANTOS that the violation was from 2015]

SANTOS (to Client-9): I will forward the address to Curran. He will abate it.

SANTOS (to Client-9): Please drop off a check payable to Golden Gate Youth Hockey Association for \$1k. Bernie's nonprofit,

Client-9 (to SANTOS): With pleasure

SANTOS (to Client-9): Golden Gate Youth Rugby Association.

SANTOS (to Client-9): Please drop off the Bernie check this morning.

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Client-9 (to SANTOS): thank you for suggesting.

- 48. Client-9 sent a screenshot of a donation confirmation to SANTOS on September 27, 2017, indicating that Client-9 had directed a charitable gift fund to send a \$1,500 donation to the "Golden Gate Youth Rugby Foundation." Client-9's text message to SANTOS accompanying the screenshot stated, "made the donation and it is being sent today". This donation, sent as a bank transfer from the charitable gift fund, was never deposited by the Golden Gate Rugby Association. The donation was returned to the fund as it was not deposited within a certain period of time per the fund administrator's policy.
- 49. On December 7, 2017, CURRAN gave final inspection approval on a permit related to the property on the 1300 block of Utah Street. The scope of work for this permit, according to DBI's permit tracking site, was to abate the 2015 NOV by removing partition walls installed without a permit and reverting the property to its last approved floor layout from 2003. Since the 2003 floor layout did not include the two partition walls, the removal both walls was required to complete the work authorized by the permit.
- 50. The FBI obtained images of the interior of the property located on the 1300 block of Utah Street taken in September 2017 during an insurance appraisal. The images show the two aforementioned walls that the owners were required to remove to resolve the violations. In August 2020, FBI Special Agents were given access to the property on the 1300 block of Utah Street. During this visit, Special Agents took photographs of the interior of the building and compared them to the photos taken in 2017 by the insurance company. The partition walls, which should have been removed under the permit referenced in the previous paragraph, were still intact.

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- 51. DBI Official-1 stated that inspectors are required to physically visit the site of a project to give final inspection approval. The inspector would need to review the permit and the plans associated with the permit. The plans for the project on the 1300 block of Utah Street clearly showed that two partition walls needed to be removed. He also stated that since the partition walls had not been removed, there could be no legitimate reason that the permit should have been given final approval by CURRAN. DBI Official-1 also noted that DBI did not issue the permit for the work required to resolve the violations until December 7, 2017, the same day that CURRAN claimed that he inspected the property and finaled the permit. Since property owners are not authorized to begin work until a permit is issued, it would have been nearly impossible for all work to be completed the same day that the permit was issued.
- 52. The property located on the 1300 block of Utah Street is located in DBI Building
  Inspection Division district eight. Per a DBI organizational chart effective April 17, 2017,
  an individual other than CURRAN was the Senior Building Inspector for district eight.

## 1400 Block of Church Street

53. This property provides another example of CURRAN ignoring non-compliance with a permit by SANTOS' client. SANTOS and Client-7 had obtained a permit authorizing the construction of an accessory dwelling unit (ADU). The permit required the installation of a sprinkler system for fire safety under a separate permit number. SANTOS and his client, however, never obtained the sprinkler permit. Text messages between SANTOS and CURRAN show that CURRAN knew about the requirement and ignored it. Client-7 made a \$500 donation to the Golden Gate Rugby Association on January 31, 2019.

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54. Between February 8 and February 11, 2019, SANTOS and CURRAN had a conversation about the inspection of the property located on the 1400 block of Church Street:

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Hey Rodrigo where is the sprinkler permit that is supposed to be done in conjunction with the ADU I don't see it online.

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Should I have CPB correct the issue?

CURRAN (to SANTOS): Yes

SANTOS (to CURRAN): I will take care of your request ASAP

CURRAN (to SANTOS): I have also entered in inspection for Church Street with a pre-final stating that sprinklers have to be verified

- 55. A review of the DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system for property located on the 1400 block of Church Street, showed no permit relating to sprinklers was ever applied for or issued.
- 56. A review of DBI's on-line permit and complaint tracking system for property located on the 1400 block of Church Street showed that a permit related to the property received a final inspection approval from CURRAN on May 9, 2018. CURRAN put a note into the DBI system when he entered his final inspection indicating that a future permit would be applied for to deal with the sprinklers for the building. According to DBI Official-1, CURRAN did not have the authority to approve that permit without a permit for sprinklers having been applied for, issued, and completed. A complaint regarding this issue was opened at DBI on July 30, 2021. An inspection was completed by employees of the fire department who confirmed that the ADU did not have sprinklers or any fire safety systems.

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- 57. The property located on the 1400 block of Church Street is located in DBI BuildingInspection Division district 16. Per a DBI organizational chart effective February 20,2018, an individual other than CURRAN was the Senior Building Inspector in district 16.
- 58. A check for \$500.00 written by Client-7 dated January 31, 2019, was deposited into the JP Morgan Chase bank account belonging to Golden Gate Rugby Association on February 13, 2019.

## 900 Block of South Van Ness Avenue

59. On February 27 and February 28, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages in which SANTOS and CURRAN took extraordinary steps to ensure that CURRAN, and not the inspector assigned to the district where the property is located, conducted the necessary inspections:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): [900 block of] South Van Ness soft story inspection has been scheduled with [District Inspector-1] between 9 and 12 am

CURRAN (to SANTOS): What day

SANTOS (to CURRAN): TOMORROW morning

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Let me know the time (this morning) for [the 900 block of] South Van Ness with [District Inspector-1]

CURRAN (to SANTOS): I have reassigned it to [District Inspector-2] but there is no inspection history out there

SANTOS (to CURRAN): I will meet [District Inspector-2] at [the 900 block of]

South Van Ness. Thank you Senior

CURRAN (to SANTOS): [District Inspector-3] is coming and I have instructed him on how to proceed.

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- 60. DBI records show that a final inspection was scheduled for February 28, 2018 at the South Van Ness property. The documents indicate in the instructions/comment section that "This inspection has been reassigned from [District Inspector-1]" and reassigned to District Inspector-3. I received a copy of District Inspector-1's schedule for February 28, 2018. DBI Official-1 reviewed the schedule and explained that District Inspector-1 was not busy on this date and would have had time in his day to complete this inspection. District Inspector-1 was the district inspector for this property and therefore, was the person who should have handled the inspection, unless he indicated that he was unable to do so. DBI Official-1 indicated that a Senior Building Inspector taking an inspection away from the district inspector and reassigning to someone else for no apparent reason it is unusual and discouraged.<sup>7</sup>
- 61. On February 28, 2018, in the DBI permit tracking system, District Inspector-3 wrote that the inspection status was "no entry/no progress." According to DBI Official-1, "no entry/no progress" should be used as the status when the inspector is unable to access the project site. This should not have been the case here, because an inspection had been scheduled for that day and SANTOS was listed as the contact person. In several text messages, SANTOS told CURRAN that his office was only five minutes from the property located on the 900 block of South Van Ness Avenue, and he was aware that an inspection was meant to take place on that date because he had discussed the inspection

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> It had been discussed at a January 11, 2018 DBI staff meeting that "Building Inspectors are regularly asked by Seniors to assist in coverage of Districts. This is due to District Building Inspector not being available or busy. Please understand that these assignments and reassignments are the responsibility of a Supervisor. The Building Inspector may not conduct inspections outside of their assigned District without first informing a Supervisor." CURRAN frequently frustrated district inspectors by performing inspections on properties in their districts without informing them. On at least one occasion, CURRAN failed to tell the district inspector that he had done an inspection on a property and the district inspector arrived for a scheduled inspection, only to find CURRAN had already completed it.

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with CURRAN that morning. I believe that when CURRAN stated to SANTOS "[District Inspector-3] is coming and I have instructed him on how to proceed," CURRAN was informing SANTOS that he had reassigned the inspection to an inspector who would follow CURRAN's instructions to enter a status of "no entry/no progress." This would ensure that CURRAN could do the inspection himself at a later date.

62. On March 13, 2018, SANTOS cancelled another inspection on the property that was assigned to District Inspector-1. On March 14, 2018, SANTOS sent the following text messages to CURRAN:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): I cancelled the inspection for [the 900 block of] South Van Ness. We will create an inspection report and narrative for your use. Thank you Senior.

SANTOS (to CURRAN): I dropped off the inspection report for [the 900 block of] South Van Ness. Please let us know if you will require additional documentation. Thank you Senior

63. On March 21, 2018, an individual believed to be an S&U employee scheduled two inspections at the property, one for "reinforcing steel", and one for "ok to cover".

"Reinforcing steel" refers to the pouring of a foundation over the top of steel that has been installed. "Ok to cover" refers to hanging drywall that will cover plumbing, electrical, or other building work that has been completed inside the walls of the project. The employee listed his contact phone number as one registered to S&U. On March 22, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages:

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SANTOS (to CURRAN): Dear Senior: Any time today will work for [the 900 block of] South Van Ness inspection. Our office is s five minutes away from the site.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): I already put an inspection in the computer yesterday.

- 64. A review of the DBI on-line permit and complaint tracking system showed that on March 21, 2018, CURRAN gave approval for reinforcing steel. The fact that CURRAN stated that he had "put an inspection in the computer" indicated that CURRAN did not actually visit the property or inspect the work that had been done, but rather entered an inspection in the DBI Permit tracking system without any legitimate inspection.
- 65. On April 2, 2018, SANTOS and CURRAN exchanged the following text messages:

SANTOS (to CURRAN): Dear Senior Building Inspector Bernie Curran: When can we schedule a final inspection for [the property on the 900 block of] South Van Ness? Our office is five minutes away from the site. Any day and time will work.

CURRAN (to SANTOS): We need to put in the rough OK to cover appointment SANTOS (to CURRAN): Thank you Senior.

- 66. These text messages indicate that SANTOS was trying to schedule a final inspection, which would require that all work at the project site was complete. However, CURRAN pointed out that the inspection that would authorize the owner to cover the walls with drywall had yet to be completed.
- 67. On April 16, 2018, SANTOS requested an inspection with CURRAN for the "okay to cover" the walls, and also told CURRAN that "Client [Client-7] has given me his SF GG Rugby contribution." CURRAN approved the "okay to cover" on the same date. Four

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days later, on April 20, 2018, SANTOS requested that CURRAN meet him at the site for a final inspection. CURRAN gave final inspection approval and issued the CFC on April 20, 2018.

## **Out-of-District Inspections**

- 68. According to DBI Official-1, CURRAN often did inspections outside of his district, which caused problems with the inspectors who were assigned to those districts and who did not want CURRAN doing inspections in their territory. It became contentious enough that in April 2014, a supervising employee at DBI created an assignment flow chart that dictated how inspections should be reassigned if the district inspector was unavailable and then if subsequent inspectors were also unavailable:
  - 1. District Inspector
  - 2. Floating Inspector
  - 3. Inspector with availability on their schedule
  - 4. Spread Inspection to Inspectors where schedule is not completely full
  - 5. Adjacent District Building Inspector
  - 6. Building Inspector from other Districts
  - 7. Senior Building Inspector
- 69. There were 14 properties where SANTOS' clients either made donations or wrote checks that were never cashed. Of these 14 properties, 12 were outside of CURRAN's assigned districts. Based on my review of text messages between CURRAN and SANTOS, it appears that CURRAN typically disregarded DBI guidance by unilaterally assigning inspections for SANTOS' clients to himself.

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## **Check Tracking**

- 70. A review of SANTOS' phone pursuant to a federal search warrant revealed that he solicited checks for the Golden Gate Rugby Association or some variation on that name, from 19 different clients. There are also three additional clients with whom SANTOS discussed both their building projects and Bernie CURRAN but did not make a direct solicitation for rugby association checks. Nevertheless, a review of bank records shows that checks from these individuals were deposited into the Golden Gate Rugby Association Bank account around the time that their projects received approvals from CURRAN as documented in the DBI permit tracking system.
- 71. SANTOS' solicitations resulted in 12 clients writing checks to the rugby association, with one client writing two checks. Solicitations from SANTOS resulted in donations to the rugby club totaling \$9,600 from May 2017 through April 2019.
- 72. CURRAN was involved in abating an NOV, abating a complaint, giving demolition permission, or giving final inspection approval for all 12 of the donor-clients.
- 73. In addition to the checks that were deposited into the Golden Gate Rugby Association's bank account, SANTOS solicited several Golden Gate Rugby Association donations from his clients that SANTOS stole by depositing them into his personal bank account without the permission of his client or the Association. For instance, SANTOS solicited checks made out to Golden Gate Rugby Association from Client-1 in connection with Client-1's project on the 900 block of Guerrero Street (discussed above in paragraph 15-17) on September 28, 2017, and October 16, 2017, calling the association "Bernie's nonprofit organization". According to records from a Bank of America account belonging to SANTOS and his wife, two checks from Client-1's company written pay to the order of

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- Golden Gate Youth Rugby Association were deposited into the account (check 1671 dated October 17, 2017, for \$1,000 and check 1031 dated February 13, 2018, for \$500.00).
- 74. On July 1, 2021, Rodrigo SANTOS was charged in Indictment No. CR 21-268-SI, which alleges 10 counts of Bank Fraud, one count of Obstruction of Justice, and two counts of Aggravated Identity Theft. That indictment alleges a scheme in which SANTOS stole more than \$775,000 from his clients between November 2012 and March 2019 by requesting checks payable to City agencies (mostly DBI and the Department of Public Works) and other construction-related companies and individuals. SANTOS then deposited the checks into his personal bank account without authorization from the client or the payee on the check. Between July 2, 2017 and February 13, 2018, SANTOS deposited 10 checks totaling \$9,000 that his clients had written to the Golden Gate Rugby Association in connection with projects that CURRAN inspected. This \$9,000 in checks to the Golden Gate Rugby Association is included in the approximately \$775,000 total alleged in Indictment CR 21-268-SI.

## **Material Concealment of the Scheme to Defraud**

75. CURRAN and SANTOS attempted to conceal their scheme using DBI's online inspection system. For instance, on November 9, 2018, CURRAN sent SANTOS a text message regarding SANTOS' request that CURRAN conduct a final inspection at a property on the 3000 block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. CURRAN stated, "Rodrigo can you do me a favor and put 23rd St. on the schedule then I can move it to myself and it won't look funny". I believe that CURRAN was asking SANTOS to schedule an inspection through DBI's online inspection platform. This was a departure from CURRAN and SANTOS' regular practice whereby SANTOS would ask CURRAN to inspect a property (usually outside of

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CURRAN's assigned district) and CURRAN would schedule the inspection himself.

According to the message above, CURRAN believed that their scheme was beginning to 
"look funny" since project sponsors are normally required to request and schedule 
inspection using DBI's online system. Notably, the 3000 block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street was outside 
of CURRAN's district in November of 2018. The property owner, Client-10, donated 
\$1,500 to the Golden Gate Rugby Association in January (\$1,000) and October (\$500) of 
2018.

- 76. Also, regarding concealment of the scheme to defraud, on March 3, 2020, the FBI seized SANTOS' cell phone and conducted a search of the device pursuant to a search warrant issued in the Northern District of California. The search included a review of text messages found on the device. During this review, 444 text messages between SANTOS and CURRAN were identified. On April 9, 2020, the FBI seized CURRAN's cell phone and conducted a search of the device pursuant to a search warrant issued in the Northern District of California. The search included a review of text messages found on the device, which was the same device that CURRAN used during the aforementioned text messages with SANTOS. CURRAN identified this device as his personal cell phone. The phone contained no text messages between CURRAN and SANTOS. However, there were text messages with other parties during the same time period as the CURRAN/SANTOS texts identified on SANTOS' phone. The absence of known text messages with SANTOS on CURRAN's phone indicates that CURRAN deleted his texts with SANTOS before the FBI seized his phone.
- 77. DBI Official-1 told the FBI that CURRAN conducting inspections for properties where people connected to the project had made donations to an organization linked to

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CURRAN would constitute a conflict of interest. DBI Official-1 indicated that, had DBI known about the donations from SANTOS' clients, CURRAN would not have been allowed to inspect these properties because of the possibility that the donations could influence his inspections. In addition, had DBI Official-1 learned about the scheme described in this affidavit before CURRAN left his position at DBI, disciplinary action would have been taken against CURRAN.

## **Interstate Wire**

78. On April 16, 2021, I interviewed two subject matter experts employed by JP Morgan Chase Bank, identified here as Employee-1 and Employee-2. Employee-1 is a subject matter expert regarding how ATM and teller transactions are processed. Employee-2 is a subject matter expert regarding how electronic deposits are processed. Both experts confirmed that Chase utilizes data processing centers outside the state of California to process all checks deposited at ATMs, in bank branches through bank tellers, and for electronic deposits made from an account holder's electronic device. Therefore, when the Golden Gate Rugby Association deposited checks into its JP Morgan Chase bank account, JP Morgan Chase bank sent an electronic image of the deposited check via a wire communication to its data processing servers in either Michigan, Delaware, or New Jersey. The data processing center determines if the check should be approved or declined within 5 to 10 seconds. If the check is approved, the transaction is considered complete by the bank. These wire communications facilitate the check clearing process by ensuring that the appropriate accounts are debited and credited.

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79. As alleged in the complaint, a check for \$500.00 written by SANTOS' client Client-7 dated January 31, 2019 was deposited into the JP Morgan Chase bank account belonging to Golden Gate Rugby Association on February 13, 2019.

## **CONCLUSION**

80. Based on the foregoing facts and my training and experience, I respectfully submit there is probable cause to believe that CURRAN and SANTOS committed honest services wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 1346. I therefore respectfully request the issuance of the attached criminal complaint, as well as summonses and arrest warrants for CURRAN and SANTOS.

S/

ALLISON LOPEZ Special Agent FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Sworn to before me over the telephone and signed by me pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 4(d) and 4.1 on this <u>20T</u> Hay of August 2021.

HONORABLE JOSEPH C. SPERO

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Chief United States Magistrate Judge

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